

# TERMS OF REFERENCE - NOTICE OF APPROVAL

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT

### SUBSECTION 6(4)

#### APPROVAL OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### FOR

#### THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

RE: Proponent: GFL Environmental Inc.

Terms of Reference: Eastern Ontario Waste Handling Facility Future  
Development Environmental Assessment

Undertaking: Expansion of Waste Facility

EA File No.: 20023

As provided for by subsection 6(4) of the Environmental Assessment Act, Terms of Reference, as submitted by GFL Environmental Inc. for approval to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks on September 11, 2020, to govern the preparation of an environmental assessment for the above noted undertaking, is hereby approved.

Pursuant to subsection 6.1(1) of the Environmental Assessment Act, any environmental assessment for the above-noted undertaking, submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks pursuant to subsection 6.2(1) of the Environmental Assessment Act, must be prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference as hereby approved.

#### **Reasons:**

I am satisfied that an environmental assessment prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference will be consistent with the purpose of the Environmental Assessment Act and the public interest for the following reasons:

1. The Terms of Reference ensures that the environmental assessment will be completed using a comprehensive public, Indigenous community and government agency consultation process that is open and transparent;

2. The Terms of Reference provides a sufficient level of detail to confirm that the completed environmental assessment should contain a sufficient level of detail to accurately assess the environmental effects of all relevant alternatives and the proposed undertaking;
3. The Terms of Reference sets out a planning process that will ensure the completed environmental assessment will be consistent with the purpose of the Act and the public interest; and,
4. There are no outstanding issues that have not been incorporated into the Terms of Reference or that cannot be addressed during the preparation of the environmental assessment.

Dated the 14 day of January, 2021 at TORONTO.

  
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