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July 15, 2009

Mr. Raymond (Ray) Chénier
Chair
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board
210 Mead Blvd
Espanola, ON P5E 1R9

Dear Mr. Chénier:

Re: DSSAB and SDHU Programs and Services

Thank you for your letter, received on June 30, 2009, regarding options for improved integration and coordination of our respective programs and services.

In follow up to your letter, Dr. Penny Sutcliffe, Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer, spoke with Mr. David Court, Interim Acting CAO, on July 15, 2009. I understand that they had a very helpful conversation about our respective mandates.

Please be advised that Mr. Court and Dr. Sutcliffe have agreed to have a more detailed conversation about these opportunities. It is expected that the meeting will involve each of our relevant senior staff in early fall during which they will explore ways in which both agencies can best support each other in our respective mandates. I believe that Mr. Court and Dr. Sutcliffe will find areas for improved coordination and innovation.

Thank you again for raising this issue and seeking effective ways to improve the social and physical health of citizens in our mutual catchment areas.

Sincerely,

Ron Dupuis
Sudbury & District Board of Health Chair

c: Dr. P. Sutcliffe, Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer
David Court, Acting Interim Chief Administrative Officer

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