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14 August 2014

The Office of the Premier of the Province of Ontario
Legislative Building
Room 281
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

ATTENTION: THE HONOURABLE KATHLEEN WYNNE - PREMIER

Dear Premier Wynne:

RE: Power Dam Special Payment Program

The Council of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers is very concerned about the proposed measures introduced in Bill 14, Building Opportunity and Securing Our Future Act (Budget Measures) which phases down or decreases the Power Dam Special Payment Program for hydro-electric stations, poles & wires by 23.53% by 2017, starting in 2015. By my calculation, the payment we would receive in 2017 would be \$8,462.47 less than the property taxes levied on this property in 2000.

These payments currently represent 3.45% of our own purpose revenue. However, when coupled with the accelerated cuts to the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF), the unknown aspects of a new OPP Billing Model and other cuts, the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers will have to increase property tax rates in order to compensate for the loss of revenue or be forced to significantly compromise municipal services. For this reason, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario reverse the decision to decrease funding to the

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Power Dam Special Payment Program and to consider annual increases to the amount of funding by the amount of any change in the Consumer Price Index. Enclosed is a copy of Resolution 2014-261, passed at Council's regular meeting of August 13, 2014.

Yours truly,

TOWNSHIP OF SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS



Patricia Deline
Treasurer
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Enc.

cc. The Hon. Charles Sousa – Minister of Finance
The Hon. Ted McMeekin – Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing
The Hon. Michael Gravelle – Minister of Northern Development and Mines
The Hon. Bill Mauro – Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Michael Mantha – MPP, Algoma-Manitoulin
FONOM
NOMA
AMO
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board ✓

THE CORPORATION OF THE
Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers

Motion Number: 2014-261

Date: August 13, 2014

Moved By: Charles Smith

Seconded By: [Signature]

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers request that the Government of the Province of Ontario reverse the decision to decrease funding to the Power Dam Special Payment Program;
FURTHER that the Province of Ontario also be requested to annually increase the amount of funding by the amount of any change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to compensate for the increase in municipal costs;
AND THAT a copy of the Resolution be sent to the Premier of the Province of Ontario, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Minister of Northern Development and Mines, the Minister of Natural Resources, local MPP, the local DSSAB, FONOM, NOMA and AMO.

CARRIED: ✓

DEFEATED: _____

MAYOR: [Signature]



Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

P. Hnatuik _____
H. Hobbs _____
M. Lefebvre _____
C. Smith _____
S. Sonnenburg _____
J. Stewart _____
L. Gamble _____

Recorded Vote (only if required as per
Municipal Act, Sec 246(1))

P. Hnatuik _____
H. Hobbs _____
M. Lefebvre _____
C. Smith _____
S. Sonnenburg _____
J. Stewart _____
L. Gamble _____

The Mayor will circle the name of the member
deemed to have requested the vote