

Municipal Clean Water Infrastructure Election Questionnaire

Name: **SUMMARY OF 13 RESPONSES (159 SENT) – 8.2%**_____

Signature: **Revised November 10, 2006_for additional responses**_____

In the wake of the Walkerton tragedy and our aging water infrastructure, the provincial government released its Water Strategy Expert Panel Report in July 2005 to address the safety and financial sustainability of water and sewage system across the province. This survey, sponsored by the Heavy Construction Association of Regional Niagara and the Ontario Sewer and Watermain Construction Association, is designed to determine candidates' views on how best to address the serious water and sewage infrastructure deficit in Ontario. The results will be used to identify those candidates who have supported and will continue to support clean water infrastructure investment.

1. What initiatives have you supported/will you support during your time in office that have improved or will improve water and sewage infrastructure in your municipality?

2. Do you intend to sit on your municipality's Public Works Committee? **Yes - 12 Unknown - 1**

3. As a result of the Ontario Water Strategy Expert Panel Report of July 2005, it was recommended that municipalities establish separate corporate entities, dedicated reserve accounts to operate, maintain, repair and replace water and sewage infrastructure. Do you support these recommendations? **Yes - 12 No - 1** If No, please explain why not.

4. Do you support metering of water services to all residential and commercial customers, as opposed to an unmetered, flat monthly or yearly charge? **Yes - 13 No - 0** If No, please explain why not.

5. Do you support the user pay principle and full cost account practices as the best way to promote water conservation and the financial sustainability of water and sewage systems? **Yes - 11 No – 1 Unknown - 1** If No, please explain why not.

6. Do you support access to a developer's site servicing letter of credit (Pay Assurance) by contractors for unpaid, legitimate bills involving properly completed site-servicing work? **Yes - 11 Unknown - 2** If No, please explain why not.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the questionnaire. Please fax back your response to 905-227-2793 at your earliest convenience. The Associations wish to recognize and acknowledge those candidates who have contributed and will continue to contribute to the health and well being of their communities through clean water infrastructure investment.

Sincerely,

John Passero, President

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL NIAGARA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL NIAGARA - CANDIDATES' QUESTIONNAIRE

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| Please circle the number beside each question that best represents how you would prioritize each issue. The number are in order of importance as follows: 1 = Very important / High priority 2 = Fairly important / Priority 3 = There is no 3 - You cannot be Neutral 4 = fairly unimportant / Low priority 5 = Not a at all important / No priority | CANDIDATE'S NAME: | | | | |
| | SUMMARY OF 15 RESPONSES (159 SENT) - 9.4% | | | | |
| | DISTRICT: Revised November 10, 2006 for additional responses | | | | |
| QUESTIONS: | 1 = Very important | 2 = Fairly important | | 4 = Fairly unimportant | 5 = Not at all important |
| 1. Renewing existing infrastructure (roads, water, sewers). | 14 | 1 | | | |
| 2. Full cost pricing of infrastructure (Developers pay full cost of investment) | 10 | 5 | | | |
| 3. Separation of storm and sanitary sewers. | 14 | 1 | | | |
| 4. Support for city's current infrastructure renewal fund. | 9 | 5 | | | 1 |
| 5. Your concern over sanitary sewer overflows in to our waterways | 14 | 1 | | | |
| 6. Support for development incentives e.g. waver of development / impost fees coming up for review Jan 07 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 7. Privatization of some city services as long as it provides value to taxpayers. | 2 | 5 | | 2 | 6 |
| 8. Please list YOUR seven priorities: | | | | | |
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| Thank you for taking the time to answer our questions. Results will be made available on the HCARN Website. Please return by fax to the HCARN c/o 905-227-2793 on or before October 25, 2006. | | | | | |