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Members of Ontario Parliament, Mayors and Municipal Councilors,

Dear Esteemed Civic Leaders,

As representatives of the Ontario Association of Sewage Industry Services, we write to you with great concern regarding the challenges faced by the hauled sewage industry in Ontario due to outdated municipal wastewater treatment plants. We invite you to a crucial Town Hall Meeting on May 5, 2023, to discuss this urgent matter and find viable solutions.

The hauled sewage industry plays a vital role in safely and effectively managing wastewater in Ontario. However, the current state of many municipal wastewater treatment plants is hindering our industry's ability to operate efficiently and safely. These outdated facilities are in dire need of upgrades and improvements to meet modern environmental and safety standards. Some of these Municipal wastewater treatment plant upgrades are hindering the ability of safe and effective disposal of waste from onsite wastewater systems.

The hauled sewage industry plays a vital role in safely and effectively managing wastewater in Ontario. Our concerns stem from limited availability in accessing municipal wastewater treatment plants combined with availability and accessing of field spreading sites. Many wastewater facilities are aging and becoming outdated, needing upgrades and improvements to meet the growing needs of their communities. Many are currently operating at capacity. Facilities which are undergoing upgrades are not able to accept hauled sewage during the period of construction/maintenance. Some haulers are then faced with no options for disposal. This has been an ongoing concern in our industry for many years. With the call to increase residential construction substantially over the next 10 years we feel now is the time to come together to discuss the concerns /issues from all perspectives.

The Town Hall Meeting will provide a platform for open discussions, where we can collectively explore the challenges faced by Municipalities and the hauled sewage industry due to inadequate wastewater treatment plants, and work towards identifying feasible solutions.

The Town Hall Meeting will be held on May 5, 2023, at the **Victoria Road Recreation Centre – Birch Room located at 151 Victoria Rd N, Guelph, ON N1E 5H4 from 8:30am to 2:00pm**. We kindly request your attendance and participation in this critical discussion.

Together, we can address the challenges faced by Municipalities and work towards creating a safer and more effective wastewater management system in Ontario.

We look forward to your participation in the Town Hall Meeting and your continued support in this important matter. **Please RSVP your attendance by April 26, 2023, to numair.uppal@oasisontario.on.ca**. For any inquiries or further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
Ontario Association of Sewage Industry Services