Ms. Cordelia Clarke Julien, Assistant Deputy Minister,

Ontario Growth Secretariat,

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing,

2304 - 777 Bay Street,
Toronto, Ontario,

M5G 2E5.

Dear Ms. Clarke Julien:

**Re: Proposed Amendments to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe**

We are pleased to write regarding the proposed amendment to the Growth Plan and offer the following:

Company facts

* Tremco, headquartered in 50 Beth Nealson, Toronto has been a part of the Leaside Business Park for over 20 years. We have 3 buildings at this location, 50,000 sq ft of office, 100,000 sq ft of distribution and 150,000 sq ft of Manufacturing. We employ approx. 300 employees and have a highly skilled employee workforce. Some examples here are over 25 skilled trades, 7 P. Eng., 100 Business Professionals and 170 manufacturing employees.
* Our operation is 24/5 with the occasional overtime on Saturday.
* As a manufacturer of building envelope sealants, our company supplies much of the new construction such as residential & commercial towers in Toronto and southern Ontario as well as other Canadian centers. Approximately 55% of our production is exported in US and rest of the world.
* We are unique in our business in that we permit Toronto area contractors and trades to pick up product directly from our plant which is centrally located in Toronto.

Importance of our Employment Area

As a manufacturer in this critical neighborhood, we are and will continue to be a responsible resident. We are a Zero landfill site and have been for the past 11 years. We are ISO 9001, 14001 and WSPS certified facility. We have and continue to invest in bot the facility and

We require a stable neighborhood environment for our plant's operations which we have currently. We cannot afford to have sensitive uses such as housing near our plant. Other parts of our business park are facing serious challenges from housing intensification as the Eglinton LRT construction progresses. further, a stable operating platform gives our owners confidence to re-invest in our facility when it comes time to replace or upgrade manufacturing processes.

We ask that the Leaside Business Park be designated at a Provincially Significant employment Zone which it currently is not.  It is important that company operations such as ours be well-buffered from sensitive uses such as housing. This helps reduce the potential conflict that can exist between such uses and industry.

I thank you for your attention.

Yours Sincerely,

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