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October 6, 2011

Dear Emil Re: Regional compost for BRG

In September, we made an urgent call to your staff to provide 20 tonnes of compost for the next day.

Staff and volunteers at the BRG were in the midst of removing more than 200 peonies and 30 other various plants from a flower bed before bringing in new soil. Our intent was to improve the drainage at the roots by raising the bed 1/3 metre. Then we would re-plant the peonies and other plants into the newly reconstructed bed. We had run out of soil and thought of bringing more in, as well as mixing the soil with compost. We hoped that not only could we spread the soil over a larger area, but we would enhance the texture of the soil material by adding compost. Thus the call to the reliable staff at the Region.

Sure enough, after leaving a late afternoon phone message, your Regional staff replied by the dinner hour that they could help us with our problem. The next morning at 10 am, we had 20 tonnes of compost heading our way to the BRG.

This is the third year that we have relied on the Regional compost as a valuable soil conditioner and soil additive. It is an excellent product that is absorbent and friable, adding organic texture to the parent soil. As a real bonus, it has 2% residual nitrogen.

As the person responsible for its emplacement, I am most appreciative of the product and the friendly helpful service provided by the Regional staff.

On behalf of the volunteers of our stewardship Committee at the Brueckner Rhododendron Garden, I express our appreciation for this material to you, the Regional Council, and the staff involved.

David Culham

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