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Mr. Emil Kolb
Chair
The Regional Municipality of Peel
10 Peel Centre Drive
Brampton, Ontario
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Dear Chairman Kolb, *Emil*

Thank you for sending me a copy of Council's resolution on fluoride levels in drinking water and toothpaste.

I appreciate you bringing this issue to my attention.

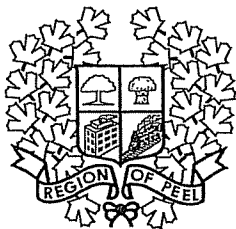
Sincerely,

[Signature]
David Tilson, Q.C., M.P.
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Office of the Chair

February 6, 2012

Resolution No. 2012-14

The Honourable Leona Aglukkaq
Minister of Health
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Aglukkaq:

Subject: Fluoride Levels in Community Drinking Water and Toothpaste

I am writing to advise that Peel Regional Council approved the following resolution at its meeting held on January 12, 2012:

"That the Region of Peel request that Health Canada regulate the fluorosilicates hexafluorosilicic acid (H_2SiF_6) and sodium silicofluoride (Na_2SiF_6), used as a treatment for dental cavities in drinking water, as drugs under the Food and Drugs Act;

And further, that all chemicals, especially fluorosilicates, added to drinking water for the purpose of treating dental decay undergo new drug applications and be assigned drug numbers by Health Canada;

And further, that classification of fluorosilicates as drugs shall be based on at least one long-term toxicology study to determine health effects in humans;

And further, that at least one properly conducted, double blinded, randomized placebo controlled clinical trial be used to provide effectiveness as the basis for a new drug classification;

And further, that the Region of Peel make the above recommendations to Health Canada to reassure the citizens of Peel that the use of fluorosilicates added to drinking water for the purpose of treating dental decay is safe and what the health effects are;

And further, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federal and Provincial Minister of Health, and Peel area MPs and MPPs;

And further, that Peel MPs and MPPs be requested to follow up on this issue with the Ministers of Health and report back to Regional Council with a response."

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Resolution No. 2012-14

On behalf of Regional Council, I request that you give consideration to the above resolution as soon as possible. Please quote the Region of Peel's resolution number in your reply.

Sincerely,



Emil Kolb
Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer

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