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Dear Stephanie McCallum, Maurice Pestowka, and Shawn Hayes:

Thank you for your letter of March 1, 2018 regarding the CASF request to work with my ministry to amend the Metal Finishers Industry Standard under the Local Air Quality Regulation (O. Reg. 419/05) for the purpose of adding additional contaminants available for registration.

I am encouraged by your letter and the willingness of your member companies to work with my ministry to further develop this compliance approach for your sector. As you know, the goal of this approach is to reduce regulatory burden and alleviate regulatory uncertainty, thereby promoting investment in Ontario while maintaining environmental protection.

I can assure you that my ministry will work closely with representatives of the surface finishing sector as well as other local stakeholders to develop an approach that will ensure facilities are doing their best to manage air emissions and apply the best available technology or operational practices to better manage their emissions.

I support your continued meetings with ministry staff to work on a proposed amendment to the Metal Finishers - Industry Standard. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Miki, Engineer in the ministry's Local Air Quality Permits Section, at 416-212-0081 or at Kelly.Miki@ontario.ca.

Thank you, again, for bringing your request to my attention.

Sincerely,

Chris Ballard

Minister