



July 27, 2020

Michaela Glasgo – MLA  
#4, 650 Cassils Rd. E.  
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Dear Michaela:

**RE: Trusted Partner Support for Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association Project**

The five Municipalities in the Brooks Region are jointly involved in the operation of the Newell Regional Landfill located in the geographic center of the County, north west of Brooks. Through our Landfill Authority, we are active participants in the Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association which is pursuing the development of a major energy generation from waste facility that has been proposed for placement directly adjacent to the Newell Regional landfill site. Once constructed, the facility will convert solid waste collected throughout the entire Southern Alberta region, to various forms of renewable energy available for export to the grid and utilized at nearby agri-food production facilities.

The project is at a point where access to funds through the Emissions Reduction Alberta Partnership Intake Funding Program is essential to complete the next critical steps in the procurement process before the project proceeds through to commercialization. To be considered for ERA funding, projects must be referred to the program by a Trusted Partner, of which the Government of Alberta is one.

We are therefore requesting support from the Government of Alberta in the form of a Trusted Partner endorsement that the SAEWA project requires under the ERA funding program. This matter is fully supported by each of the Municipalities within the Brooks Region who together are represented on a local Joint Services Committee. We fully support the efforts of the SAEWA Board which represents 60 member municipalities in Southern Alberta, and are committed to the development of this project as a means of converting solid waste to forms of energy that can be utilized at facilities in close proximity to the site while mitigating 7 million tonnes of GHG and methane reduction during the life of the project.

Your assistance and support in obtaining “Trusted Partner” support under the ERA funding program from the Government of Alberta for this project is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Barry Morishita  
Mayor, Brooks

Ron Wickson  
Mayor, Bassano

Tony Steidel  
Mayor, Duchess

Bill Marshall  
Mayor, Rosemary

Molly Douglass  
Reeve, Newell

C.C. SAEWA Board