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Dear Members of Regional Municipality of Niagara Council,

We are reaching out as we have received questions on how council members may participate in the review consultations. Council members affected by the review are welcome to participate in the ongoing open consultation process for the review. We have already received a few direct submissions from some individual members of council included in the review, and we want to encourage this to continue. Understanding the diversity of opinion and experience continues to be of vital importance to the review process so if any council members want to share their ideas and opinions with us as a written submission, we encourage them to do so.

Some Councils may wish to provide written submissions and these would be received as well by us as the Special Advisors. We want to provide the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing with the best advice on regional governance, so the full range of perspectives and thoughts on how to improve governance, decision-making and service delivery are important as we consider our recommendations to the Minister.

More information about the submission process, can be found on the ministry's <u>review webpage</u>. As always, any questions about the review can be directed to <u>regionalgovreview@ontario.ca</u>

Sincerely,

Ken Seiling and Michael Fenn

Special Advisors to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing's Regional Government Review