



September 22, 2016

County of Peterborough
County Court House
470 Water Street
Peterborough, ON
K9H 3M3

Attention: Warden and County Council

Re: North River Bridge, County Road 46

Dear Warden Jones and County Council,

It has come to Unimin Canada Ltd.'s attention that the subject bridge has a short service life. You may be aware that this bridge connects our Blue Mountain Plant's approximately 4,000 annual transport truck loads of Nepheline with our customers worldwide. If the bridge were subject to load restrictions or closure, the lengthy detour route from our operation to Ontario Highway 7 would be costly for our customers and ultimately negatively affect our Plant's competitiveness and viability.

We appreciate that there are rarely sufficient infrastructure funds to meet all area needs. In this instance, however, we hope that the needs of the business community and our 200 employees are given full consideration in placing the North River Bridge as a high priority for near term replacement.

Yours sincerely,

Robert (Bob) Marshall, P.Eng.
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Unimin Canada Ltd.