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COMMUNITY UPDATE

RE: RESULTS OF FENCELINE MONITORING

As part of the community's concern over air emissions and Benzene levels in the community, Chief and Council agreed to implement a passive air monitoring program. The program involves absorption tubes installed at 15 sites along the First Nations boundary. The program follows the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) method 325 and is an approved method used by regulators and industry alike. The program started in March 2017 and will run until the end of March 2018. This was to ensure a years' worth of data.

Recently, we reviewed and analyzed the first 6 months of the data received from our accredited laboratory. The preliminary results indicate the monitoring data for Benzene shows what appears to be actionable levels requiring mitigation pursuant to Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) methodology for a two-week period.

Chief and Council are preparing a response to the MOECC indicating the results and to request a compliance strategy and mitigation of these Benzene values.

Chief and Council are carefully reviewing the Ministry with respect to a number of new standards being implemented and the timelines for these standards to come into place.

You will be updated as more information becomes available. No immediate action is required at this time.

Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council