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Community Update re: INEOS Litigation

Dear Aamjiwnaang Community Members,

We want to keep you informed about an important step Aamjiwnaang Leadership has taken on behalf of our community.

On March 27, 2026, Aamjiwnaang First Nation filed legal action in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice against INEOS Styrolution Canada Ltd., INEOS Styrolution America LLC, INEOS Styrolution Group GmbH, and INEOS Quattro Holdings Limited (collectively referred to as "INEOS"). This action concerns the safety and technological inadequacy of the INEOS styrene production facility, which has sat immediately against our community's property line for decades.

Chief and Council's singular focus in pursuing this action is the well-being of our community – our people, our land, and our future. Every decision we make is guided by our responsibility to protect and advance the lives of Aamjiwnaang *Bendaazijig*, today and for generations to come.

Why We Are Taking This Action

Since April 2024, our community has been living under a State of Emergency. Emissions of benzene and related styrenic compounds have contaminated our air, soil, and water. During this time, our community has endured:

- Emergency evacuations
- Closures of community buildings and infrastructure
- Restrictions on our ability to deliver services to members
- Interference with our traditional practices and celebrations

These conditions are not normal, and they are not acceptable.

What We Know About INEOS

For years, our Environment Committee and Aamjiwnaang Leadership has raised concerns about the age and condition of the INEOS facility and called for investment in safer, modern technology. Those concerns were never meaningfully addressed.

We have since learned through an annual report filed by INEOS Quattro Holdings Limited in April 2025 that INEOS had already decided to permanently close styrene monomer production at the Sarnia facility for "economic reasons"¹ before Aamjiwnaang declared its State of Emergency in April 2024. That decision was not publicly disclosed at the time it was made.

Aamjiwnaang did not cause this closure. The facility's fate was determined by INEOS, not by our community.

What We Are Calling For

Our Nation has never sought to push industry out of this region. What we have always asked for, and will continue to demand, is that industry operate responsibly, safely, and with full respect for the rights and wellbeing of Aamjiwnaang, and that our Nation be included as a partner in decisions that affect us.

Through this legal action, we are seeking:

- Compensation for the harms our Nation and members have suffered
- Protection for our people from ongoing and future harm
- Restoration of our natural environment across our territory

Questions & Next Steps

Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council is working with Foreman & Company Professional Corporation to prosecute this action. Members are welcome to reach out to Aamjiwnaang Leadership or the Director of Operations, Harrison Plain directly with questions or concerns.

We will continue to keep you updated as this matter progresses.

Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council

¹ INEOS Quattro Holdings Limited 2024 Annual Report, issued April 2025:
<https://www.ineos.com/globalassets/investor-quattro-ir/public/annual-reports/ineos-quattro-holdings-limited---annual-report-2024.pdf>, at page 22.