

January 9, 2013

Mr John Lucas  
Director - Water and Wastewater  
The Corporation of the City of London  
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London ON

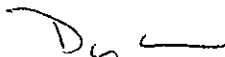
Dear Mr Lucas

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the International Water Centre of Excellence (IWCE), I am writing to express our support for your plan to enable and accelerate the construction of the Southern Ontario Water Consortium's London Wastewater Facility (SOWC-LWF).

In order to meet the March 31, 2014 deadlines imposed by FedDev Ontario, you have recommended that Council allow senior staff to administratively award the contract in order to reduce the risk of late claims for FedDev reimbursement, and that staff be given the authority to award the tendered construction project to add an additional six weeks of construction to the timetable and help to meet the strict timelines mandated by the FedDev funding requirements. I understand that City Staff will also explore ways to make the bio-solids building available before the end of May.

The IWCE Board of Directors has agreed unanimously that we support your proposed plan. Given the importance and visibility of this project, your plan is eminently sensible and should serve to minimize the overall risk to the project.

Sincerely,



Dan Sinai  
President, The International Water Centre of Excellence