## London Development Institute

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City of London 300 Dufferin Avenue London, Ontario N6A 4L9

Attn.: Chair and Members Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

## Re: Development Charges (DC) Policy Review, Local Service Policy, May 13, 2013

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

The LDI supports the recommendation in the Staff report to "Approve in **Principle**" the changes to the Local Services definitions.

The LDI has reviewed the Local Service criteria with Staff during the 2014 DC process and was extensively involved with the review for the 2009 DC By-law update to implement changes recommended by the Blue Ribbon Panel.

The proposed changes in this report further clarify the definitions for "Local Services" and provides for the watermain oversizing criteria to be brought into the DC.

We also support a review of the Sanitary Sewer Pipe Oversizing standard to be reduced from the current 300mm to a 250mm pipe size.

LDI's comments to Staff are included in Appendix "A" of the report and there are still many outstanding questions included in our comments. We request the Committee to instruct Staff to meet with the LDI to continue the dialog to answer these questions.

Sincerely,

London Development Institute

Jim Kennedy President, LDI

cc LDI Members

cc Martin Hayward, CFO

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