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Gail Given, Chair
and Directors
Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Sent via email: gail.given@cord.bc.ca

Dear Chair Given and Directors:

Thank you for your efforts to amend the Regional District's Solid Waste Management Plan, which was submitted to us on June 28, 2018. I am pleased to advise you that the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy has completed review of the Plan amendment.

I am satisfied that there has been adequate public consultation during the Plan amendment process. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 24(5) of the *Environmental Management Act*, I hereby approve the Plan amendment, subject to the following requirements:

- a) The RDCO shall complete a Five-Year Effectiveness Review as recommended under Section C.3.3 of A Guide to Solid Waste Management Planning. A review report should be submitted to the ministry by December 31, 2024.
- b) The RDCO shall re-evaluate organic waste diversion opportunities and assess effectiveness of maintaining landfill gas collection and use at the landfill. A report should be submitted to the ministry by December 31, 2030.

The Regional District's Board may now commence implementing the amended Plan. Please send a copy of the resolution adopting the amended Plan to my office.

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I appreciate your commitment to improve the management of solid wastes in your Regional District and we look forward to continuing to support you as you implement your Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Heyman", with a stylized, cursive script.

George Heyman
Minister

cc: Cassandra Caunce, Regional Director, Authorizations – South, Environmental Protection
Division, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Cynthia Coates, Waste Reduction Facilitator, Regional District of Central Okanagan