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**Subject:** Report No. PL-132/04 - Update: Quarry Applications in Burlington and Vicinity

Community Development Committee  
City of Burlington  
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Re: Report No. PL-132/04 - Update: Quarry Applications in Burlington and Vicinity

Community Development Committee Meeting - November 22, 2004

Dear Committee Members and Staff,

I am writing to you on behalf of Friends of Rural Communities and the Environment (FORCE) and its supporters. FORCE is a federally registered not for profit corporation. It is a citizen-based advocacy group with hundreds of supporters in Campbellville, Kilbride, rural Milton, Mountsberg, Freelon, and Carlisle. FORCE was formed in June 2004 to protect our natural and built environments in the face of a proposed large-scale, below the established groundwater table, aggregate development in the Northeast Flamborough portion of the amalgamated City of Hamilton. We note upfront that our organization is not anti-aggregate nor anti-road; indeed, our area is home to some of Ontario and Canada's largest aggregate operations. We do, however, have significant issues with the current application in its proposed location for substantive reasons.

FORCE is pleased with the comprehensiveness of the information contained in the summary report to the Community Development Committee and its focused identification of key issues. These include groundwater implications in the hydrogeologically sensitive Amabel aquifer which has a significant recharge area in the affected zone, natural heritage features, and the haul route implications.

We look forward to the participation by the City of Burlington in the review of the quarry proposal and in the public consultation process. We encourage public consultation within Halton Region on the implications for Halton and its residents, and specifically in Burlington given the proximity of Kilbride to the proposed aggregate operation both in terms of groundwater and haul routes.

Thank you for your attentiveness to this matter, to date. FORCE and its supporters will be seeking your support and advocacy to protect our drinking water, our environment, our roads, and our communities generally.

Should you need to contact FORCE, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [grahamflint@stopthequarry.ca](mailto:grahamflint@stopthequarry.ca) or at 905-659-5417. Our community website is [www.stopthequarry.ca](http://www.stopthequarry.ca).

Yours sincerely,  
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