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Municipality of the District of Clare
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RE: Single Use Plastic Bags

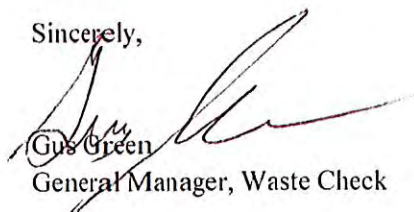
Dear Warden LeBlanc,

At the February 12, 2018 meeting of Waste Check there was a lengthy discussion on the topic of plastic film and specifically, single use plastic bags the kind used by many grocery stores and retailers. The current Nova Scotia Minister of Environment, the Honourable Ian Rankin, has expressed interest in banning these bags IF THE ACTION WAS SUPPORTED BY Nova Scotia Municipalities. The request for municipal support was put to Regional Chairs by the Minister at a meeting with him on January 11, 2018. At the Regional Chairs meeting (January 12, 2018), the Chairs were instructed to take the request for support back to the Municipalities in their Region. Therefore, in support of our Regional Chair, Leland Anthony and at the request of the Waste Check Authority, we ask the question of you; *is your Municipal unit supportive of a Provincial ban on single use plastic bags?*

If you would like to discuss this issue, or if you would like Waste Check staff to attend a Council meeting to present on, and discuss the issue, please do not hesitate to contact me. To date, the Municipality of the District of Digby has passed a motion to support a Provincial ban and the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth has discussed the issue but have not yet reached a decision. If your Municipal unit is supportive of a Provincial ban, a draft motion is attached to this letter for your consideration. The Waste Check Authority has respectfully requested you reply to this correspondence by March 9th so that Chairman Anthony can report on our support or opposition at the next Regional Chairs meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 902 742 1312 or via e-mail to discuss any of the above.

Sincerely,



Gus Green
General Manager, Waste Check

cc.Leland Anthony, Warden; Municipality of the District of Yarmouth, Chair; Waste Check