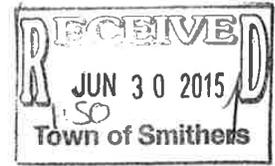


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June 30, 2015  
Smithers, BC

Mayor and Council  
Town of Smithers

I listened carefully to the presentation made on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015, during the regular Council meeting, by Dr. Elizabeth Bastian, MD Oncologist with Northern Health. She notified the Town at that time that particulate pollution of the kind being contemplated by Northern Engineered Wood Products (NEWPRO) is a public health hazard.

Section 83 of the *Public Health Act* requires a local government that becomes aware of a public health hazard to do certain things prescribed by the *Act* and regulations and provides other actions that the government may undertake.

I am very much interested in knowing what actions the Town of Smithers will undertake in this situation. In particular I am convinced, on reflection, that the Town must at a minimum refrain from making matters worse by encouraging smoke pollution. I think my Section 7 Charter rights would be infringed by any such move, setting in train various kinds of judicial review and perhaps liability on the Town's part.

I am available to discuss the matter with the Town and am very much interested in being kept informed as the matter proceeds.

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Attached overleaf, Section 83 of the Public Health Act

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