

Just sent this off today.

George J. Collins

From: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>
Sent: February 11, 2021 10:35 AM
To: ron.dorscht@ontario.ca <ron.dorscht@ontario.ca>
Subject: Fw: Hornepayne Drinking Water System Inquiry

Mr. Dorscht, I ask you to give consideration to my concerns as outlined in the attached PDF. In particular, I ask that you connect me with one of your Hydrogeologists through whom I may ask questions and receive answers with regard to this matter.

I'm disappointed that Ms. Managhan has not seen fit to contact you and bring you up to speed on these issues before she dismissed me and my concerns from the Sudbury Office. It is my belief that the attached PDF's will serve as a reasonable explanation as to how and why I'm at your door.

AS outlined in the attachments I have two primary concerns in this matter (1) is for the health of relatives and old neighbors living on and adjacent to this very polluted CN Property in Hornepayne. (2) It is obvious to me, based upon the Studies involved, that the Corporation of Hornepayne was forced to find a new water source for the community acct. CN's pollution was getting into the old Municipal Wells. Well, I do not disagree with the decision to find a new water source, or go to Moonlight Lake, I contend that all costs to do so should have been paid for by the polluter CN Rail. I have brought my concerns to the mayor and council of the Corporation of Hornepayne,

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but they prefer to bury their heads in the sand and protect CN, which leaves the 10.6 million cost on the backs of the taxpayers.

My hope is that you will examine the facts of this matter with your professionals and give me a documented opinion with regard to both of my concerns.

Thanking you in advance for ANY assistance you may be able to provide in this matter. Geo.

George J. Collins

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MECP

From: George J Collins

Sent: March 15, 2021 10:09 AM

To: ron.dorscht@ontario.ca <ron.dorscht@ontario.ca>; minister.mecp@ontario.ca <minister.mecp@ontario.ca>; Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; Managhan, Marnie (MECP) <marnie.managhan@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>; Carmen

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<vezina41@gmail.com>

Subject: Rquest for assistance.

Hello Mr. Dorscht,
File # 357-2020-1

It is presently over ten (10) months or May 4th, 2020 since I wrote my MPP's office, Mr. Gravelle, asking for assistance concerning matters in Hornepayne. Mr. Gravelle responded to my request for help and sent off an email to the Honourable Mr. Jeff Yurek on July 13th, 2020. That office forwarded my concerns to Ms. Managhan, Water Compliance Supervisor, Sudbury Office, on Sept 17th, 2020 who after a lengthy delay gave consideration of the matter and sent me with my problem to your doorstep on Feb 11th last. It is now over one month since Ms. Managhan forwarded my concerns to your office and at which time I also directly emailed you introducing myself and requesting your attention to this Hornepayne matter.

Mr. Dorscht, did you receive my email of Feb 11th, 2021, and will you be responding?

Thanking you in advance for any consideration of my concerns you may see fit to bestow upon me.

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Fw: Rquest for assistance.

George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Tue 06/04/2021 12:12 PM

To: Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>

Bcc: Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>

Hello Mike,

Thought I should bring this to your attention, to this date I cannot get any response to my Hornepayne concerns from Mr. Dorscht at the MECP Office in Sault Ste Marie.

I believe beyond any doubt that this Sault Ste Marie Office simply does not want to address this issue because they are complicit with CN Rail, the Township of Hornepayne, and KGS Engineering in that they did defraud the Townspeople of Hornepayne. They had all the Study material, along with their own collected data none of which stop them from issuing the necessary permits for the Township to go ahead and develop the new 10.6 million dollar water source at Moonlight Lake because CN's pollution was reaching the then Municipal Wells. Documents show that at one time this Sault Ste Marie Office was in possession of the, 60% completed Ground Water Study which would prove the spread of CN's pollution and which has currently disappeared from their records, disappeared from the Township of Hornepayne's records, and disappeared from the records of KGS the Firm that was paid 62 thousand taxpayer dollars to do it. This MOE Office in Sault Ste Marie, constitutes one of the four entities the other three being CN Rail, Township of Hornepayne, and KGS which are responsible for that 10.6 million dollar fraud that the townspeople are still paying for. They continue to this day, along with the Township of Hornepayne and CN to keep the people of that community in the dark concerning the facts which necessitated the development of the costly new water source at Moonlight Lake, they also continue to remain silent concerning the local extent or spread of the pollution on to private and public property in that community.

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George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Mon 12/04/2021 11:30 AM

To: Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; MECP-NR-Director-Issues (MECP) <ENE-NR-Director-Issues@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>; Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>

Good morning Michael, Just to let you know, yesterday was two months since I forwarded my information to the office of Mr. Ron Dorscht. MECP, Sault Ste Marie, I point out that to this date I have not received any acknowledgment or response from his office. My request was basically simple, to discuss the Hornepayne CN pollution matter with a Hydrogeologist.

Not to make light of the Covid 19 pandemic, but anticipating it as the justification for the delay, I make the following request. Could you direct me to a government-sponsored mental health counselor that could help me understand why it would take Mr. Dorscht in excess of (2) months to give me a YES or NO answer?

Thanking you in advance for any consideration you may give to my dilemma,
Geo.

George Collins Nipigon Ont.

George Collins Request to MECP

Michael Gravelle MPP <mgdc@shaw.ca>

Mon 12/04/2021 12:02 PM

To: ron.dorscht@ontario.ca <ron.dorscht@ontario.ca>

Cc: grampabug7@hotmail.com <grampabug7@hotmail.com>; Gravelle_Michael-MPP-CO Gravelle_Michael-MPP-CO <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>

Mr. Ron Dorscht Supervisor Sault Ste Marie Area Office Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks

Dear Mr. Dorscht,

Please find a note below to my MPP office from my constituent Mr. George Collins of Nipigon.

Mr. Collins is seeking follow-up on a request to evaluate a pollution situation in Hornepayne with an MECP hydrogeologist, and writes that he has not heard from your office or the MECP.

I will respectfully request that your office contact Mr. Collins at the earliest opportunity.

Sincere thanks,

Michael Gravelle MPP Thunder Bay-Superior North
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From: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>**Sent:** April 12, 2021 11:31 AM

To: Gravelle-CO, Michael <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; MECP-NR-Director-Issues (MECP) <ENE-NR-Director-Issues@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@ccla.ca>; Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>

Subject: MOE

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George Collins Nipigon Ont.

My Copy -

Sent this Date - 0900 - April 19th 2021

4/19/2021

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Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Mon 19/04/2021 08:59 AM

To: ron.dorscht@ontario.ca <ron.dorscht@ontario.ca>; Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; Managhan, Marnie (MECP) <marnie.managhan@ontario.ca>; MECP-NR-Director-Issues (MECP) <ENE-NR-Director-Issues@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>; Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>

Mr. Dorscht, Supervisor ,MOECP, Sault Ste Marie, Ont.

I would like to go over some FACTS for the record.

As you are aware, on or about Feb. 10th last Marnie Managhan, MOECP Supervisor Sudbury Office, forwarded my concerns to you.

On Feb 11, I sent you an email introducing myself and asking you to put me in touch with a Hydrogeologist. Anyone qualified to address my concerns with regard to groundwater would have been fine with me.

On March 15th I sent a second email to you again asking for assistance because YOU STILL HAD NOT RESPONDED.

On April the 4th you did get around to responding, you requested a contact number complaining that my (807-887-3328) was not accurate. I did away with that number quite some time ago, however, your excuse for not contacting me is (BULLSHIT) considering you had my email add. since Fed 10th.

On April 5th I called your (705-254-8145) number and left a mess.

On April 15th I called that same number twice and left another mess.

So it is that to this date April the 19th I have had NO CONTACT with you except for your April 4th, when I received your bogus request "for a contact number".

In my file of this Hornepayne, CN pollution matter, are documents that show a Mr. Dorscht of the Sault Ste Marie, MOECP office as a CC recipient as far back as August 13th, 2015. If, and I have no reason to doubt that you are the same person, then you are FAMILIAR with the matter of my concern and my

effort to obtain legal redress for the taxpayers of Hornepayne. To this date, not one charge has ever been laid against CN Rail for the environmental disaster their negligence for decades caused in that town.

Based upon the facts as outlined in the various studies, data your office had, the material determined that CN's pollution was getting into the municipal wells and that within a short time frame it would undoubtedly exceed allowable limits. Was it not your office that issued the necessary permits for the Corporation of the Township of Hornepayne to access and utilize Moonlight Lake as the new municipal water source? It is my opinion that MOECP's actions and silence aided the pro-CN Mayor and Council of Hornepayne as they shifted the financial burden of 10.6 million dollars to acquire that new water source from the multi-billion dollar polluter to the struggling taxpayers.

Mr. Dorscht the question I wanted to ask your Hydrogeologist or other qualified professional you may have on staff was the following, " CAN YOU GIVE ME ANY GOOD SCIENTIFIC REASON, BASED UPON THE FACTS, WHY MY CONCLUSIONS ARE IN ERROR."

I do not doubt that you are a busy civil servant overworked and underpaid, but considering the sixty thousand dollar debt unjustly placed upon the backs of each struggling family unit in that small community, a debt they are still paying until 2025, I MAKE NO APOLOGIES FOR MY SMALL DEMAND ON YOUR TIME.

George Collins, Nipigon, Ont.

From: Dorscht, Ron (MECP) <Ron.Dorscht@ontario.ca>

Sent: April 19, 2021 09:48 AM

To: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Cc: Managhan, Marnie (MECP) <Marnie.Managhan@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>; MECP-NR-Director-Issues (MECP) <ENE-NR-Director-Issues@ontario.ca>; Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>; Cameron, Brian (MECP) <Brian.Cameron@ontario.ca>

Subject: RE: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

Mr. Collins,

I left you a voice mail today.

I am unable to put you in direct contact with a staff hydrogeologist.

As you have been previously advised, the municipal wells were identified as GUDI (Groundwater under the direct influence of surface water), and therefore vulnerable to bacteriological contamination. As such, the municipality, like many other municipalities in the same situation across the province, looked at various options to ensure a safe drinking water supply.

MECP issued permits based on the option chosen by the municipality. The decision for the new water supply was not driven industrial contamination.

Our office has a planned inspection this year for CN Rail yard and will continue to evaluate and address environmental concerns at the site.

Ron Dorscht

Ron Dorscht, B.E.S.

Supervisor

Sault Ste. Marie Area Office

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

(705)254-8145



We want to hear from you. How was my service? You can provide feedback at 1-888-745-8888

From: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Sent: April 19, 2021 9:00 AM

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Re: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Thu 22/04/2021 10:18 AM

To: Dorscht, Ron (MECP) <ron.dorscht@ontario.ca>

Mr. Dorscht,

Must I wait another month for a reply, a little excessive I would think?

Only two simple questions

(1) You state " I am unable to put you in direct contact with a staff Hydrologist" could and would you refer me to a MOECP office that does have a hydrologist on staff.

(2) I demand an answer concerning the missing Groundwater Study, it is my belief that it disappeared simply because it verified the existence of Hydrocarbons in all groundwater between the CN contamination plumes and the Hornepayne Municipal Wells.

I thank you for your time.

George J. Collins

From: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Sent: April 19, 2021 11:12 AM

To: Dorscht, Ron (MECP) <Ron.Dorscht@ontario.ca>

Subject: Re: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

Mr. Dorscht I thank you for your prompt response.

Your assurance that the decision to find a new expensive water source because of bacteriological contamination is nonsensical. As noted in the studies the Hornepayne well system to the time of the First Engineers Report had never even been under a "boil water advisory" to suggest there was suddenly bacteriological contamination that could not have been rectified through the standard purification process is unbelievable.

Could I get a prompt response from you concerning the 60% completed "Ground Water Study " that went missing from your MOECP files? It also is missing from the Hornepayne Township files and would you believe it Mr. Dorscht, also missing from the files of KGS Engineering and the author of the study. They (KGS) was the contractor at that time working for both CN and the Township, under the circumstances a conflict of interest in any reasonable mind. Previous correspondence from the Township of Hornepayne states that

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everything completed was forwarded to your office on or about Oct29th 2004, it couldn't have just disappeared, or could it.

Sir, I would prefer any further exchanges be made by email which would provide both of us a verifiable record, thank you. Geo.

George J. Collins

Re: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Fri 23/04/2021 08:50 AM

To: Crosson, Kirk (MECP) <kirk.crosson@ontario.ca>

Cc: Michael Gravelle MPP <mgravelle.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org>; Managhan, Marnie (MECP) <marnie.managhan@ontario.ca>; Krystal-Anne Roussel Montgomery <articling@cela.ca>; MECP-NR-Director-Issues (MECP) <ENE-NR-Director-Issues@ontario.ca>; Cameron, Brian (MECP) <Brian.Cameron@ontario.ca>; Carmen <carmenjoy40@yahoo.ca>

Thank you, Mr. Crosson, It is my hope to obtain a reasonable explanation concerning the missing Ground Water Study. It is my recollection that you were one of the MOECP staff monitoring the Hornepayne, CN pollution mess back in 2005, am I correct Sir.

George J. Collins

From: Crosson, Kirk (MECP) <Kirk.Crosson@ontario.ca>

Sent: April 23, 2021 08:07 AM

To: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Cc: Keen, Lilian (MECP) <Lilian.Keen@ontario.ca>; Dorscht, Ron (MECP) <Ron.Dorscht@ontario.ca>

Subject: RE: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

Lilian Keen is the current inspector for the Hornepayne area, I have copied her on this email reply,

Regards

From: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Sent: April-22-21 6:40 PM

To: Crosson, Kirk (MECP) <Kirk.Crosson@ontario.ca>

Subject: Re: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

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Mr. Crosson, would you be able to help me with this matter. George.

George J. Collins

From: Dorscht, Ron (MECP) <Ron.Dorscht@ontario.ca>

Sent: April 22, 2021 06:29 PM

To: George J Collins <grampabug7@hotmail.com>

Subject: Automatic reply: Hornepayne, CN Pollution.

I am away from office returning April 26, 2021. If this matter requires more immediate attention please contact Kirk Crosson at kirk.crosson@ontario.ca