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Subject: Reintroduction of the *Geologic Carbon Storage Act*

Hello,

Over the past three years, the Ministry of Natural Resources has been taking a measured and phased approach to enabling and regulating geologic carbon storage in Ontario. Carbon storage is new to the province, and developing a comprehensive framework to regulate this activity would help ensure that it is done responsibly, with measures in place to safeguard people and the environment.

Geologic carbon storage (further referred to as carbon storage) involves injecting captured carbon dioxide (CO₂) into deep geological formations for permanent storage. This technology could provide industries in Ontario with a critical tool for managing their emissions and contributing to the achievement of Ontario's emissions reduction targets.

On November 25, 2024, the Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024 was introduced in the Ontario legislature. This Act included a proposed *Geologic Carbon Storage Act*. The legislature was dissolved on January 28, 2025, and all incomplete business was terminated.

We are writing to notify you that today, the Bill was reintroduced in the legislature. The suite of proposed changes remains the same as what was introduced in November 2024, aside from a small number of administrative updates made to provide clarity.

The original proposal can be accessed through the Environmental Registry/Regulatory Registry: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-9299>.

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Andrew Ogilvie, Manager of Resources Development Section, at 705-761-5815 or through email: Resources.Development@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,



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