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Ms Cynthia Hansen  
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Dear Ms Hansen:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cynthia".

I am writing to provide you with an update on the government's policy direction regarding renewable natural gas (RNG).

The government continues to support the development of RNG in Ontario as well as the introduction of RNG into the province's natural gas supply.

Enbridge Gas and Union Gas have been tremendous partners in the government's policy efforts to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. I want to personally thank you and your teams for your support. In particular, I appreciate the recent Request for Proposal (RFP) that was conducted to identify potential RNG providers, and for all the work put forth to reach workable solutions for the upgrading of the RNG and its subsequent injection into the pipeline system. The results of this RFP have helped signal the readiness of the market and the municipal, agricultural, and waste sectors' capacity to both produce and introduce RNG content into Ontario's natural gas supply, with government support.

You may be aware of the province's Municipal GHG Challenge Fund, a Climate Change Action Plan initiative that recently provided funding to the City of Toronto to support the use of green bin waste to create a local RNG supply. This is one example of our support for RNG; however, we know there is more to do.

As I indicated in my February 22, 2018 letter to you, the government's plan to provide funding to support the procurement of RNG is contingent on various approvals, including that of Treasury Board. I am writing to let you know that we do not anticipate these approvals will be possible before the election period begins.

Our government remains committed to further developing RNG in Ontario. Our intention is to return to working on this file when government is reformed in June 2018.

Thank you again for your support, and I look forward to working with you on the introduction of RNG into Ontario's natural gas supply network.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenn Thibeault".

Glenn Thibeault  
Minister