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HEALTH DEPARTMENT RELEASES REPORT ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY IN DURHAM REGION

Whitby, Ontario – Climate change is expected to increase exposure to poor air quality for residents of Durham Region and the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation and other Indigenous Peoples with whom we share and steward these lands.

To help learn about, prepare for, and act against climate change, Durham Region

Health Department has released the report, Assessing the Impact of Poor Air Quality, available at durham.ca/ClimateAndHealth . Part of the series Climate Change and Health in Durham Region, this vulnerability assessment explores current and future health impacts of air pollution.

The report finds that although transportation emissions in

Durham Region per person have declined since 2015, climate change is expected to increase overall exposure to air pollution by intensifying traffic-related air pollution, extending pollen seasons, trapping pollutants in stagnant air and raising the risk of wild-fire smoke.

"Poor air quality days are associated with increased emergency department visits and hospitalizations, especially among older adults and children," said Dr. Robert Kyle, Durham Region Medical Officer of Health.

"The report also underscores the critical role of social and health inequalities such as income, housing and access to health care that influence the severity of air pollution-related health outcomes. Tackling these disparities is

key to building a healthier, more resilient community."

"The report adds to the growing evidence-base of the harms caused by climate change to Durham Region residents. No longer can we consider climate change a threat for future generations to manage," said lan McVey, Durham Region's Director, Environment & Climate.

"Evidence from the vulnerabil-

ity assessment shows, the impacts and harms associated with climate change are happening today across the region and are hitting the most vulnerable the hardest, especially children and older adults. The Region will use this report to help inform and prioritize strategies to reduce risks, including through community partnerships that target the most at-risk groups".

Pickering, Ajax not to proceed with Elexicon share sale

The City of Pickering and the Town of Ajax, which had started a request for proposal (RFP) process for the sale of their 49.708 per cent shareholding in utility provider Elexicon, have notified that they will not go ahead with the sale – for now. "On July 18, 2025, Pickering notified Elexicon and the other shareholder representatives that the city had concluded the process started by the RFP and 'has decided not to proceed with a sale at this time and has formally terminated the RFP process'. Ajax provided similar notification," says a document released by The Municipality of Clarington, which too is a shareholder. Elexicon Corporation is a holding company that is owned jointly by five municipal shareholders as follows: Elexicon Energy is a fully owned subsidiary of Elexicon. It is a rate regulated electricity distribution company that delivers electricity to over 180,000 customers throughout ten municipalities in Ontario including to Ajax, Brock, Clarington, Pickering, Scugog, Uxbridge and Whitby in Durham as well as to Port Hope, Belleville and Gravenhurst. Elexicon was formed in 2019 through the merger of Veridian and Whitby Hydro and assumed the same operating territory as its predecessor organizations. Following the merger in April 2019, shareholders were not able to transact their shares for 18 months. Since that time there have been several potential shareholder transactions contemplated, said the document. Pickering started exploring sale options on October 31, 2021, when it approved report FIN 15-21 'City Centre

Financial and Legal Implications'. The city expressed an interest to sell its shares as a way to partially fund the City Centre project. In 2022, the City of Pickering indicated that it was no longer pursuing a sale of its shares. Pickering and Ajax RFPs: On July 3, 2024, Pickering and Ajax issued a joint statement that they had jointly retained Borden Ladner Gervais LLP to undertake a non-binding request for proposal to explore the potential sale of their combined share ownership in Elexicon Corporation. According to the Unanimous Shareholders' Agreement, the non-selling shareholders have the right of first refusal at the same price, terms and conditions of any potential sale. Further, any sale for a controlling share (more than 50 per cent), the non-selling shareholders have the right to elect to also sell at the same terms, conditions and price (the 'piggyback right'), the document said.