November 17, 2010

Ms. Pat Vanini
Executive Director
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
200 University Ave., Suite 801
Toronto, Ontario
M5H 3C6

Dear Ms. Vanini,

Windsor City Council at its meeting held November 15, 2010 adopted the following motion:

M311-2010 WHEREAS residents have identified escalating electricity and heating rates as a major concern; and WHEREAS electricity and heating, like municipal water, are not luxury items but a basic necessity; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council petition our Provincial and Federal partners, to request that like the current Municipal Water category, electricity and heating be exempt from Harmonized Sales Tax (HST); and further, That this motion BE FORWARDED to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) requesting support from their respective members.

Carried.

Your consideration and support for Council’s resolution is appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Steve Vlachodimos
Deputy City Clerk

Attachments
cc: The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister
    The Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance, Government of Canada
    The Honourable Christian Paradis, Minister of Natural Resources,
    Government of Canada

    The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario
    The Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario
    The Honourable Sandra Pupatello, Minister of Economic Development & Trade,
    Province of Ontario
    The Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Energy Ontario, Province of Ontario

    Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

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