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February 21, 2014

Ms. Jennifer Dunlap  
Senior Policy Advisory  
Ministry of Natural Resources  
300 Water Street  
Peterborough, Ontario  
K9J 8M5

Dear Ms. Dunlap;

RE: Proposal Number 14-MNR003; Proposal to increase well license fees payable to the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Trust

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is Canada's largest voluntary general farm organization, representing more than 37,000 farm family businesses across Ontario. These farm businesses form the backbone of a robust food system and rural communities with the potential to drive the Ontario economy forward.

Many Ontario Farmers depend upon private gas wells for home heating, barn and out-building heating or for crop drying.

The OFA welcomes and supports the provision in your proposal to maintain the fee for private gas wells at \$0.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mark Wales'.

Mark Wales  
President

cc: OFA Board of Directors