

Councillor McCarthy put in a call to Paul Odom of the Ministry of the Environment in order to receive an update on St. Mary's PTTW application, asking when the Ministry would be making a final decision on this application. Below is the response that was received. Councillor McCarthy indicated that it appears the responses that were submitted to the Ministry are being taken very seriously. This is good news. We will check back with the Ministry near the end of January and will keep you advised of the developments as they occur.

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From: Odom, Paul (ENE) [mailto:Paul.Odom@ontario.ca]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2006 8:53 AM  
To: McCarthy, Margaret  
Cc: Slater, Carl (ENE)  
Subject: St. Mary's proposed Mountsberg Quarry PTTW Application

Councillor,

We are still awaiting additional requested information from St. Mary's consultant Gartner Lee before we can proceed. Our anticipated decision timeframe is now end of January – beginning of February. We have almost finished synthesizing the EBR comments for technical issues and may be requesting additional information or a response from the proponent depending on the technical issues which are raised and may need to be addressed if the pumping test is authorized to proceed.

Hope you and your staff have a happy holiday season.

P. Odom.