

Tipping Fees: Elimination of tipping fees for the clean-up of the Steelworkers Hall: Letter of February 13, 2009 to Mayor and Council of February 13, 2009 requesting the same consideration be provided to other organizations and businesses which suffer catastrophic losses.





February 13, 2009

Mayor John Rodriguez and
Members of City Council
City of Greater Sudbury
P O Box 5000, Station A
Sudbury, ON P3A 5P3

Dear Mayor Rodriguez
City Councillors

Re: Tipping Fee Relief

On behalf of the Greater Sudbury Chamber of Commerce, I would like to express the appreciation of the business community for Council's recognition that organizations and businesses experiencing a catastrophic event need the support of the community.

The Chamber is referring of course to Council's decision to grant tipping fee relief for the demolition waste from the Steelworkers' Hall fire. This action by Council exhibits a progressive approach to its business to be responsive to the community's needs. The Steelworkers' union is a large private organization with significant revenue which exceeds that of many of the small and medium enterprises in the Greater Sudbury area. Notwithstanding that, Council determined that in the circumstances of an unexpected disaster, it could forgo certain fees which result from the recovery from that kind of an event.

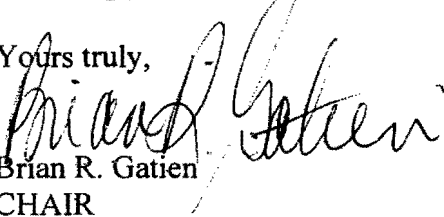
Congratulations.

The Chamber is aware of other organizations and businesses which have suffered the same, albeit smaller tragedies. We would be pleased to serve as the single point of contact to provide them with information on the appropriate process for them to apply for the same relief.

We would request that you have your staff contact the Chamber to facilitate this initiative.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours truly,



Brian R. Gatién
CHAIR