



February 24, 2009

Attention:
The Honourable Leona Dombrowsky
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Re: Cosmetic Pesticide Ban Act's Regulations
Email: minister.omafra@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Dombrowsky,

With spring just around the corner, we look forward to the implementation of the *Cosmetic Pesticide Ban Act's* regulations.

We applaud the government for its thorough, broad and open consultation process.

To most effectively protect both health and the environment, we ask you to support regulations that:

- Are as strong as the November 2008 draft formulation
- Allow only non-toxic products for sale and use on lawns and gardens
- Are fully implemented in Spring 2009
- Provide an end date for pesticides used on golf courses

The most health-protective regulations, supported by education and effective enforcement, can make this legislation the best in North America and the cornerstone for future toxics reduction strategies.

The regulations will also boost business in the lawn care industry and create green jobs.

Sincerely,

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