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The Honourable John Gerretsen  
Minister of the Environment  
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Dear John:

It has been brought to my attention that there is currently a proposal before your department to remove Professional Chemists (D.Chem.) as Qualified Persons under Ontario Regulation 153 dealing with chemically contaminated sites in Ontario. In light of this decision the APCO has released the attached News Release. I have been contacted by a chemist working in my riding who has been directly associated with the MOE and is very concerned about this proposal.

I would be interested in your comments on the attached.

Sincerely,

**Original Signed by  
Jeff Leal, MPP**

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