

# TERMS OF REFERENCE - NOTICE OF APPROVAL

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT

### SUBSECTION 17.4(10)

## APPROVAL OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

### FOR

## THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

RE: Proponent: Walker Environmental Group Inc. (Walker)

Project: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment

EA File No.: 24004

As provided for by subsection 17.4(10) of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, the Terms of Reference submitted for approval to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks on June 28, 2024 (Terms of Reference) to govern the preparation of an environmental assessment for the above-noted project, is hereby approved.

Pursuant to subsection 17.6 (1) of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, any environmental assessment for the above-noted project given to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks must be prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference, as hereby approved.

### **Reasons:**

I am satisfied that an environmental assessment prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference, will be consistent with the purpose of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and the public interest for the following reasons:

1. The Terms of Reference provides that the environmental assessment will be completed using a comprehensive public, Indigenous and government agency consultation process that is open and transparent;
2. The Terms of Reference provides an appropriate level of detail to confirm that the completed environmental assessment should contain a sufficient level of detail to accurately assess the environmental effects of alternative methods;

3. The Terms of Reference sets out a planning process that will ensure the completed environmental assessment will be consistent with the purpose of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and the public interest; and,
4. There are no outstanding issues that have not been incorporated into the Terms of Reference or that cannot be addressed during the preparation of the environmental assessment.

Dated the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024 at TORONTO.

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