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Mr. Terry Sargeant
Chair, Clean Environment Commission
305 – 155 Carlton Street
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3H8

Dear Mr. Sargeant:

Manitoba's hog industry is a growing and increasingly important component of Manitoba's economy. In order to better determine the current state of the environmental sustainability of the industry in Manitoba, I am requesting the CEC to conduct an investigation of this issue at this time.

As such, pursuant to Section 6(5) of *The Environment Act*, I am asking that the Clean Environment Commission conduct a review and produce a report on the environmental sustainability of this industry in Manitoba.

Important components of your review should include:

- An assessment of the Manitoba Government's current environmental protection measures now in place relating to hog production in Manitoba;
- Input gathered from public meetings from across Manitoba;
- A consideration of the report entitled "An Examination of the Environmental Sustainability of the Hog Industry in Manitoba" which was recently produced by my department.

I have provided a terms of reference which will help guide your exercise.

Thank you for undertaking this important task on behalf of the people of Manitoba.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stan Struthers".

Stan Struthers
Minister