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Edmonton, 17 December 2008

Ms. Erin Shapero  
Town of Markham  
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### Invitation to ICLEI World Congress 2009

Dear Ms. Shapero,

Please join us from 14 to 18 June 2009, the City of Edmonton, Canada hosts the ICLEI World Congress 2009. To mark this event, we are enclosing a 2009 Calendar that contains information on the World Congress, ICLEI's programs and photos from member cities, including the City of Edmonton. We hope you enjoy looking at these images from around the world throughout 2009!

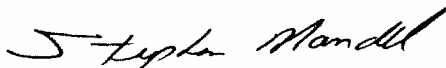
ICLEI is an international association of local governments that have made a commitment to sustainable development. Since the 2006 World Congress in Cape Town, South Africa, ICLEI has grown from 490 Members to more than 1000. The Edmonton gathering is a unique opportunity to learn from each other and interact beyond regional boundaries.

We would like to personally invite you to this important event. This Congress will be an opportunity for you to interact with other leaders in sustainability from around the world and to showcase your work. You can reserve space in the exhibition hall for the Congress to increase the visibility of your work.

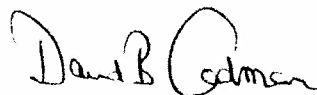
The Congress program, highlighting the work of ICLEI Members, will be further enriched by global partners and strategists sharing their vision on the opportunities and challenges ahead for local governments. The draft program can be found on page four of the calendar, where you will notice that each day allows for a different opportunity for engagement and active contribution to the various sessions.

In a spirit of warmth and collaboration, together with the generosity of our Canadian host, we hope to see you in June. Registration has officially opened and we invite you to go online to register now.

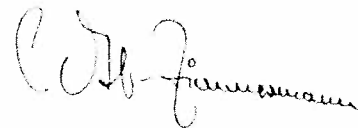
We look forward to seeing you in Edmonton,



Stephen Mandel  
Mayor, City of Edmonton



David Cadman  
President, ICLEI



Konrad Otto-Zimmermann  
Secretary General, ICLEI

ICLEI Conference Request to Attend June 14-17<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Request is to speak at 3 Sessions:

- 1) Young Municipal Leaders Global Network, founding session
- 2) Local and Sustainable Food Procurement—Municipal Policies
- 3) Watershed Protection/Managemnt—Municipal Policies

Registration Cost: 400.00 CDN (Reduced Rate)  
Flight Cost/Hotel Accomodation

-----Original Message-----

From: Ewa Ciuk [mailto:ewa.ciuk@iclei.org]

Sent: May 21, 2009 4:00 PM

To: Shapero, Erin

Subject: Invitation to speak at the ICLEI World Congress, June 14 - 18 in Edmonton

Dear Councillor Shapero,

As you know, the triannual ICLEI World Congress will be held from 14-18 June 2009 in Edmonton, Canada, gathering ICLEI Members from all over the world to share their sustainability work and setting the strategic direction of ICLEI for the next three years.

We are coordinating several World Congress sessions focusing on sustainable procurement. Given Markham's leadership in this work, I would like to ask you whether you would be interested and available to present in Edmonton? We were hoping that someone could present on the city's local food policy work and also the development of the green procurement plan.

Please let me know if you would be interested in speaking. I have attached the draft Congress program and can forward to you a draft description of the session that you could present in.

It would be extremely valuable for local government staff from different parts of the world to learn about Markham's leadership and approach to sustainable procurement. The event would feature the city as a leader in this work, and you would have an opportunity to exchange your experience with other leading local government practitioners from different continents.

If you are interested, I can forward you further information about the event, along with an official invitation.

I look forward to your response.

Best regards,

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