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CALEDON'S CORPORATE ENERGY PLAN POSITIONS TOWN IN LEAD ROLE IN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Caledon Council recently approved a three-year Corporate Energy Management Plan that positions the Town among the leaders in energy management, while providing the Municipality with the tools and direction to meet the upcoming regulatory requirements of the *Green Energy and Green Economy Act*.

"With five distinct Energy Management Goals, Caledon's Corporate Energy Management Plan illustrates the Town's commitment to remain at the forefront of energy management," noted Mayor Marolyn Morrison. "The Plan also provides a solid framework to achieve our mandate of reducing waste, maximizing efficiencies and generating clean energy."

Specifically, the Corporate Energy Management Plan (CEMP) identified the following key goals:

1. maximize fiscal resources through direct and indirect energy savings;
2. reduce the environmental impact of the Town's operations;
3. increase the comfort and safety of staff and patrons at Caledon facilities;
4. improve the reliability of Town equipment and reduce maintenance; and
5. provide the leadership and guidance necessary for the adoption of a culture of sustainability.

"Caledon has a long-standing reputation as Ontario's Greenest Town, and improving the management of the Town's energy consumption is essential in maintaining this reputation," explained Mayor Morrison. "The anticipated cost-savings associated with this proactive strategy to environmental sustainability also speaks to Caledon's forward-thinking approach to fiscal responsibility."

The total projected savings for the period of the CEMP (2011-2014) is estimated at \$606,100. In terms of energy savings, the Corporation is setting a target of reducing energy consumption by 15% by the end of 2015. To achieve both the financial and energy-saving goals, 30 Action Items have been identified. These include: educating staff on developing energy-saving habits; implementing processes and programs that encourage saving energy; and ensuring future capital projects take advantage of energy-saving opportunities.

The CEMP is a living document that will adapt to future energy opportunities. For more information, visit www.caledon.ca

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