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Mr. David O'Brien, President
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**RE: CONCERNS REGARDING THE TOWN OF LEBANON'S RESPONSE
TOWARD ABATING POLLUTION IN AMSTON LAKE.**

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

Thank you for informing me of your concern that the Town of Lebanon is failing to adequately address the historical and continuing pollution of Amston Lake. I am troubled by this situation and I appreciate all your constructive steps to seek a solution.

After reviewing your letter, my staff contacted the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). My office conducted lengthy discussions with DEP and reviewed a number of significant DEP documents clearly demonstrating DEP's view that Lebanon's response to its pollution of Amston Lake has been inadequate.

Recently, DEP informed us that it has negotiated a consent order with Lebanon, which the town has signed. If the town discontinues its cooperation with DEP or fails to perform the agreed upon remediation in accordance with the consent order, DEP stated that it will request that my office bring a lawsuit.

My office will closely monitor this situation and I stand ready to pursue legal remedies at the appropriate time.

Very truly yours,



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