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Dear Mr. Hofer:

Further to our phone conversation today I would like to again apologize for the email that I inadvertently sent you yesterday. I intended to send the email directly and only to our CEO Peter Woloshyn.

To be clear, I respect your right to raise your concerns both publicly and in direct contacts with provincial officials.

As for my comment about selling your property – this was my personal view about the best overall solution given that your property is for sale. However, this view does not reflect or relate to the NRCB's actual role in addressing this issue under the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA). As you know, both feedlots were permitted by the County of Warner before the AOPA took effect on January 1, 2002, and those county permits are deemed (i.e. grandfathered) permits under the act. Today, AOPA's minimum distance separation requirements would not allow the same confined feeding operations (CFOs) to be built from scratch so close to your property. But these CFOs can exist because they are grandfathered under the act.

That said, the NRCB's compliance group is committed to continue working with the operators, including assessing performance of their dust control plans.

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