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OWNER OF PRIVATE SEWAGE WORKS FINED TOTAL OF \$5,000 FOR NON-COMPLIANCES WITH CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

PICTON—Christopher Rogers, owner and operator of a private sewage works in Picton, has been fined a total of \$5,000, plus a victim fine surcharge, after pleading guilty to violating two conditions of his certificate of approval for his sewage works.

Christopher Rogers owns a sewage works that serves the Waring House Restaurant and Inn, on Sandy Hook Road in Picton. The Court heard that on October 7, 2004, a routine ministry inspection revealed that the daily quantities of effluent being disposed of through the sewage works were not being measured and recorded as stipulated in the certificate of approval.

The ministry inspection also revealed that Rogers had failed to prepare an annual performance report for the 2003 calendar year within the timeframe stipulated by the certificate of approval.

Rogers pleaded guilty to two counts of failing to comply with conditions of his certificate of approval, contrary to section 107(3) of the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, and was fined \$2,500 for each offence.

Justice of the Peace Marilyn Robins heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice in Picton on May 19, 2006.

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