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## TOWNSHIP OF ASPHODEL-NORWOOD FINED \$28,000 FOR VIOLATING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

**PETERBOROUGH** — The Township of Asphodel-Norwood has been fined a total of \$28,000, plus a victim fine surcharge, after pleading guilty to violating the Environmental Protection Act.

The Court heard that the Township of Asphodel-Norwood operates a landfill site under the authority of a Provisional Certificate of Approval. On March 14, 2007, the Ministry of the Environment conducted an inspection of the landfill and found that the site was burning waste materials not covered under its Provisional Certificate of Approval and was failing to cover the waste at the end of the day as required.

The Township of Asphodel-Norwood was charged following an investigation by the Ministry of the Environment's Investigations and Enforcement Branch.

The Township of Asphodel-Norwood pleaded guilty to four counts of violating the Environmental Protection Act, for failing to comply with its Provisional Certificate of Approval, contrary to section 186(3) of the Environmental Protection Act, and for failing to comply with a Provincial Officer's Order, contrary to section 186(2) of the Environmental Protection Act. The Township of Asphodel-Norwood was fined a total of \$28,000, plus a victim fine surcharge, and given 60 days to pay.

Justice of the Peace Jason Mariasine heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice in Peterborough and imposed sentence on January 31, 2008.

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