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Energy from waste can wait!

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Halton: [Brian Burton](#), candidate for Regional Chair of Halton issues the following statement on the potential Halton Energy from Waste Plant:

Why rush to energy from waste when the current Bronte Road Landfill site has a lifespan that's good until 2031?

Prior to 2031, the Region will have to consider building a new landfill or building an energy from waste plant. However, the decision does not have to be made right this second.

Why build a plant today when you can build one in the future with technology that's advanced 23 years, no operating costs downloaded to the taxpayers today, and no emissions today.

The question remains, why has Halton's bureaucracy, headed by former CAO - [Brent Marshall](#) - been so keen to move forward with an energy from waste plant now?

According to the Toronto Star, the reasoning is that Halton's leaders, both political and bureaucratic, view burning Toronto's waste as a revenue stream.

Halton does not need to pay the environmental cost of burning Toronto's waste even if could make money doing it. Clearly incinerating waste on Bronte Road with today's technology is not a good economic nor environmental decision.

If the decision is to build an energy from waste plant and not a new landfill then build the energy from waste plant in 2029 when it will actually be needed for Halton's waste and only Halton's waste."

[Brian Burton](#) and his family are long time residents of Halton. Brian is a Professional Engineer and an experienced business executive, managing large companies in 4 countries as well as his own manufacturing company. His campaign for Regional Chair is focused on implementing Halton's growth plan in a way that protects the integrity of the region's green natural environment, lower taxes and good management.