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From: Kierra Enns [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, May 06, 2016 10:20 AM
To: mayorandcouncil@vancouver.ca; Clerks; Mayor
Subject: Concerns regarding Merit Insecticide

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a new resident of Burnaby and I'm not quite sure whom I should be sending emails to about concerns that affect the greater Vancouver area, so if this is reaching the incorrect person/people, please let me know! I'd love some guidance.

This morning, I read an article on the CBC saying that presently an insecticide called Merit is being promoted as a way of killing chafer beetles. However, this insecticide is also directly harmful to bees and various other helpful insects. We desperately need to reduce the use of insecticides that reduce bee populations.

The EU has already banned the use of neonicotinoid pesticide because of how bad it is for bees, and I believe the cities of Vancouver and Burnaby should follow suit. I'm also going to send an email to the appropriate legislators for British Columbia and Canada, but I thought I'd send my concerns in directly.

I would appreciate it very much if this email could be forwarded to the Burnaby Environment Committee.

Thank you very much,

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