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Products Division
Environment and Climate Change Canada
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351 St. Joseph Boulevard
Gatineau, Quebec
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Subject: Proposed Regulations for Microbeads in Personal Care Products Used to Exfoliate or Cleanse

On behalf of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH), its 100,000 members, subscribers and supporters, and 725 member clubs, we are writing with respect to the proposal to add microbeads to the list of toxic substances in Schedule 1 under Section 93 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*.

The OFAH fully supports this regulation proposal. We recognize that this issue has the potential to cause serious harm to our aquatic resources and should it go unchecked, could create significant negative effects that last well into the future. We have been highly supportive of the recent scrutiny given to microbeads in Canada, and applaud the actions that Environment and Climate Change Canada are taking with regards to this issue.

Yours in Conservation,

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