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Dillon was hired by the City of Saint John to determine what type of water supply system would best serve the needs of Harbourview Subdivision. The need for this project arose following the New Brunswick Department of Environment's announcement that disinfection of all municipal water supplies would soon be mandatory (Harbourview is currently serviced with non-chlorinated water from a localized well system operated by the city).

Dillon identified and carried out a preliminary evaluation on a number of water supply options and, with input from residents, will make a recommendation for the preferred option that will provide a safe, technically sound and reliable water supply that will meet current and future regulations as well as community needs. In addition to the technical component, educating and learning from neighborhood residents about their ideas and concerns related to potential changes to the water system is a key component of the evaluation. Regular newsletters, a neighborhood workshop and a public information centre are all tools that are being used to ensure a full understanding of neighborhood needs prior to making a final recommendation.

The efforts of **Mark Butler** and our team from several practices and offices including Fredericton, Halifax, Ottawa and Sydney, have not only increased Dillon's profile with the City of Saint John, they have also highlighted the value of professional engineers as a whole.

Paul Groody, Commissioner of Municipal Operations for the City of Saint John sent the following e-mail to Dillon:

I have been very impressed with the work that Dillon Consulting is doing on our behalf concerning Harbourview water. The summary report is clear, balanced, well presented and will be most useful in the dialogue with citizens. The newsletters are great. Please pass on my thanks to all those involved. The quality of work highlights the great value of professional engineers and their associates to our society.