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Subject: 1. UPCOMING DRAINAGE COURSES  
2. TILE LOAN PROGRAM

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### UPCOMING DRAINAGE COURSES (for registration, go to [www.ridgtownc.com/ce](http://www.ridgtownc.com/ce))

The **Drainage Superintendents Course** will be held from March 5 – 9, 2018 in Guelph. If your municipality intends to appoint an individual as their drainage superintendent, that individual must have successfully completed this course in order to be eligible to receive the drain maintenance and superintendent grants under the Drainage Act. The attached course brochure provides additional details and includes a registration form.

The one-day **Rural Municipal Drainage Course** focuses principally on the Drainage Act. It provides useful information and instruction to clerks, treasurers, council members and others on the procedures and responsibilities of the Act. The one-day **Calculating Drainage Act Assessments** course should help treasurers and drainage superintendents in determining the share of drain maintenance costs to be levied on individual properties. Additional details and a registration form are contained in the attached course brochure.

### 2. TILE LOAN PROGRAM

March 1, 2018 is the last date that we can process debentures in the 2017/18 fiscal year. Therefore, debentures must be submitted to us no later than **February 16, 2018**. If this date is missed, no debentures can be purchased until the program is announced for the 2018/19 fiscal year.

The Tile Drainage Act states that the province is to collect interest on loan instalments that are in default. This default interest rate, set by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, is 1.25% per month.

Yours truly,

Sid Vander Veen, P. Eng.  
Drainage Coordinator

### **Attachments:**

- Drainage Superintendents Course brochure
- Rural Municipal Drainage Course & Calculating Drainage Act Assessments Course brochure

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