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**STATEMENT FROM THE TOWN OF EAST GWILLIMBURY**

*Update on Averton Homes fire*

(Sharon, On) April 25, 2015 – Late yesterday afternoon, a fire began that has destroyed 17 homes, in various states of construction in the Averton Homes subdivision in Mount Albert. East Gwillimbury Emergency Services responded to the fire and are still on the scene.

The homes were unfinished and not moved in. No injuries were reported.

The site is closed and the incident is under investigation by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM), York Regional Police and the Town. Anyone who has information is encouraged to call York Regional Police at 905-830-0303 extension 7141.

“The Town of East Gwillimbury would like to thank our neighbouring municipalities who assisted our fire fighters with this incident,” said Virginia Hackson, Mayor of East Gwillimbury. “The Town will work closely with the OFMEM and other investigators on this incident.”

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