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The dignitaries at Wednesday's groundbreaking of the West Extension of Hwy. 407 ETR through Halton included (from left) SLF project manager Albert Sweetnam, Milton Mayor Gord Krantz, Oakville Mayor Ann Mulvale, Halton Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeanston, Regional Chair Joyce Savoline, Tourism Minister Cam Jackson, Burlington Mayor Rob MacIsaac and Jose Maria Lopez de Fuentes, president and CEO of 407 ETR Concession Co. Ltd.

Murky water cleared up

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switched to the wrong position.

That meant when the water reservoir went down to a certain level, the pump didn't turn on.

When the water dipped even lower, a second, fail-safe pump automatically kicked in.

But right about that time, a plant operator noticed the first pump wasn't in action and switched the valve to its proper posi-

tion.

The Region received about 60 calls after the incident, and were called upon to deliver clean water to several businesses in town, he noted.

The water discoloration is caused by tiny particles of iron, calcium and manganese that build up in the pipes.

To clear up the cloudy issue, the Region has been engaging in a project to sweep the pipes clean of the particles.

Halton mayors extend warm welcome to Hwy. 407 ETR

By HOWARD MOZEL

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While the West Extension of Hwy. 407 ETR through Halton will act as a pressure valve to divert congestion from overloaded roadways, it's also seen as a major artery pumping fresh economic

prosperity into the region.

That was the consensus at Wednesday's official groundbreaking as a host of dignitaries gathered at the spot on Regional Road 25 just north of Hwy. 5 where, in less than two years, six lanes of toll highway will exist.

"Hwy. 407 should reduce traffic on both Regional Road 5 and the QEW through Oakville and Burlington by 15 to 30 per cent once the highway opens in August 2001," said Regional Chair Joyce Savoline. "In addition to traffic • see HWY. 407 on page 10

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