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Bill Holden Mayor, Town of Melita Box 269 Melita, MB ROM 1LO Email: <u>slewft@mts.net</u>

Dear Mr. Holden:

Re: Town of Melita - Land Application of Wastewater Lagoon Biosolids and Sludge Solids – Notice of Alteration Approval - Environment Act Licence No. 3201

I am responding to the November 9, 2016 letter submitted by Mr. Gene Senior, Environmental Scientist, of KGS Group Consulting Engineers, relative to a request for minor alteration to Environment Act Licence No. 3201 (licence), originally issued for removal of biosolids and sludge solids from the primary and secondary cells of the Town of Melita's wastewater treatment lagoon in the Municipality of Two Borders. The November 9, 2016 letter is considered a Notice of Alteration (NoA) pursuant to Section 14 of the *Environment Act*.

The intent of the NoA is to transfer the biosolids from the Primary cell into the Tertiary cell for winter storage purposes in order to facilitate the proposed upgradation on the Primary cell.

Upon review of the NoA and additional information submitted on November 22, 2016, I am satisfied that the identified changes in the environmental effects as would result from the proposed alterations will be insignificant. Therefore, pursuant to Section 14(2) of *The Environment Act*, I hereby approve the implementation of the proposed expansion with the following conditions:

- The Licencee shall not, unless otherwise approved by the Director, direct wastewater or septage into the Tertiary cell other than the biosolids and sludge solids that are to be transferred from the Primary cell to the Tertiary cell of the wastewater treatment lagoon;
- The Licencee shall close the intercell and discharge valve(s) of the Tertiary cell during the temporary winter storage of sludge solids and biosolids; and
- The Licencee shall cover the biosolids and sludge solids contained within the Tertiary cell with water to a minimum depth of 0.25 metres and maintain the cover at all times.

Should you have any questions concerning this approval, please contact Asit Dey, Environmental Engineer, at (204)945-2614 or at <u>Asit.Dey@gov.mb.ca</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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Tracey Braun, M.Sc. Director

c. Mr. Shaun Moffatt/Mr. Gene Senior, KGS Group Consulting Engineers Don Labossiere/Tim Prawdzik/Peter Crocker, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Public Registries