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Mr. Ben Hofer. Greenwald Colony Farms Ltd Box 3140, RR3, Beausejour MB R0E 0C0 Via Email: <u>hoferben@yahoo.ca</u>

Dear Mr. Hofer:

## Re: Greenwald Colony Farm. - Biomass Pelletizing Plant Environment Act Proposal

We have reviewed the Environment Act Proposal (EAP) submitted on October 01, 2012 for a construction and operation of a Biomass Pelletizing Plant at NW 1-17-08 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Alexander, MB. The proposal identified some sources of emission from the facility and provided mitigation methods. We require the following additional information before we can proceed with processing the EAP:

- 1. Provide the production capacity of the proposed plant.
- 2. A more detailed process description regarding the pelletizing process. Including the following but not limited to:
  - a. Physical properties of the proposed feed materials and final pellet.
  - b. Anticipated Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) emission due to the drying process and proposed mitigation.
  - c. Any binding agent to be used for the pelletizing process.
  - d. If possible include an anticipated emission of the proposed pellet during burning.
- 3. A monitoring program of the exhaust air from the building for any pollutant.
- 4. Mitigation methods for possible fugitive emissions.
- 5. Mitigation methods to control dust due to loading and unloading trucks.

Once the above information is received, the EAP will be circulated as per the Environmental Approvals process. Please contact the undersigned at (204) 945-7023 or <u>Eshetu.Beshada@gov.mb.ca</u> with any questions.

Yours truly,

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