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Churchill Marine Observatory

File: 5803.00

The attached material can be placed in the public registries for the above project:

Request for additional information - email to KGS Group, January 13, 2016-01-13

Public comments on the Environment Act Proposal – no public comments received.

Technical Advisory Committee comments on the Environment Act Proposal (8 pages):

- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Lands Branch, December 24, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Northeast Region Integrated Resource Management Team,
 December 22, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Parks and Protected Spaces Branch, December 2, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Wildlife and Fisheries Branch, December 24, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Office of Drinking Water, December 23, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Water Use Licensing Section, December 1, 2015
- Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Water Control Works and Drainage Licensing, December 17,
 2015
- Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation, Highway Planning and Design Branch, Environmental Services
 Section, December 23, 2015

Bruce.

From:

Webb, Bruce (CWS) January-13-16 11:11 AM

Sent: To:

'Shaun Moffatt'

Subject:

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The preliminary review of the above proposal has been completed. No public comments on the proposal were received. Commentary is requested on the following items identified by the Technical Advisory Committee:

- Additional detail is needed on plans to limit exposure of the building, tanks and workers to polar bears. A fence
 is mentioned in the proposal, but not shown in the plans. What measures will be taken to reduce polar bear
 attractants and ensure worker safety? (The area is in Zone 1 of the Polar Bear Alert Program, so bears will be
 hazed out of the area under current guidelines.)
- 2. Oil and liquified natural gas are mentioned in the proposal as contaminants to be tested in the facility. Is the testing of other types of contaminants contemplated?

The following comment is provided for your information; no response is needed:

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation - Highway Planning and Design Branch, Environmental Services Section

MIT's Northern Regional Operations has been in dialogue with the Proponent regarding potential upgrading of the access road. We would request that the Proponent continue to keep MIT updated regarding the upgrading plans by contacting Mr. Devon Little, Technical Services Engineer, at (204) 677-0684 or Devon-Little@gov.mb.ca.

Bruce.

From:

+WPG1212 - Conservation_Circulars (CWS)

Sent: To: December-24-15 9:15 AM Webb. Bruce (CWS)

Subject:

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Hello Bruce.

Good morning.

Please find below comments from Lands Branch MCWS.

- The proposal has very limited information on how the facility will limit contact between workers, the structures
 and polar bears. The applicant should be required to adequately explain in more depth how they will limit
 exposure of the building, the water/oil tanks, and workers to polar bears.
- It notes in the documentation that there will be a fence but there is no fence shown on the site diagrams.
- This area is in Zone 1 of the Polar Bear Alert Program so bears will be hazed out of the area as per current
 guidelines but the facility will need to have measures and plans in place to reduce attractants and to ensure
 worker safety around the facilities.

Happy Holidays

Winifred Frias
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Lands Branch
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From: Hastman, David (CWS)
Sent: December-22-15 9:01 AM

To: Webb, Bruce (CWS); +WPG1212 - Conservation_Circulars (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - Churchill Marine Observatory - File: 5803.00

The NE IRMT have reviewed the proposal and provide the following comments:

- The proposal has very limited information on how the facility will limit contact between workers, the structures
 and polar bears. The applicant should be required to adequately explain in more depth how they will limit
 exposure of the building, the water/oil tanks, and workers to polar bears.
- It notes in the documentation that there will be a fence but there is no fence shown on the site diagrams.
- This area is in Zone 1 of the Polar Bear Alert Program so bears will be hazed out of the area as per current
 guidelines but the facility will need to have measures and plans in place to reduce attractants and to ensure
 worker safety around the facilities.

David Hastman

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From: +WPG1212 - Parks Circulars (CWS)
Sent: December-02-15 8:36 AM
To: Webb, Bruce (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - Churchill Marine Observatory - File: 5803.00

Parks and Protected Space Branch has reviewed the proposal submitted pursuant to *The Environment Act* for Request for review/comment - Churchill Marine Observatory - File: 5803.00. The Branch has no comments or concerns to offer as it does not affect any provincial parks, park reserves, ecological reserves, areas of special interest or proposed protected areas.

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From: Kiss, Brian (CWS)

Sent: December-24-15 10:45 AM

To: Webb, Bruce (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - Churchill Marine Observatory - File: 5803.00

No wildlife related concerns.

-Brian Kiss

From:

Stibbard, James (CWS)

Sent:

December-23-15 10:04 AM

To:

Webb, Bruce (CWS)

Subject:

Re: 5803.00 Churchill Marine Observatory, EAP Review

Mr. Webb,

I reviewed the above noted EAP. They note drinking water for the facility will be truck-hauled in from the Town of Churchill public water system. I found no cause for concern respecting drinking water quality or safety with the EAP or the proposed development.

If you have any questions, please call.

Regards,

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From: Matthews, Rob (CWS) Sent: December-01-15 10:56 AM

To: Webb, Bruce (CWS)

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No concerns.

Rob Matthews, WULS, CWS.

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From: Roberts, Dan (CWS)

Sent: December-17-15 3:50 PM

To: Webb, Bruce (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - Churchill Marine Observatory - File: 5803.00

No concerns.

Cheers,

Dan Roberts

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December 23, 2015

Tracey Braun, M. Sc.

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RE: U of M - Churchill Marine Observatory

Client File No. 5803.00

Dear Ms. Braun:

MIT has reviewed the proposal under the *Environment Act* noted above and we have no concern with the proposed development.

MiT's Northern Regional Operations has been in dialogue with the Proponent regarding potential upgrading of the access road. We would request that the Proponent continue to keep MIT updated regarding the upgrading plans by contacting Mr. Devon Little, Technical Services Engineer, at (204) 677-0684 or at Devon Little@gov.mb.ca.

Thank you very much for providing us the opportunity to review the proposal.

Sincerely,

Ryan Coulter, M. Sc., P. Eng.

Manager of Environmental Services

