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Brenda Poulsen Utility Manager Rural Municipality of Grey Box 99 Elm Creek, Manitoba R0G 0N0 Email: utility@rmofgrey.ca

Dear Ms. Poulsen:

Re: Notice of Alteration Village of St. Claude Wastewater Collection System and Aerated Wastewater Treatment Lagoon – Environment Act Licence No. 1666 S3

Dear Ms. Poulsen:

Your October 21, 2015 letter is acknowledged as a Notice of Alteration (NofA) in accordance with Section 14 of *The Environment Act*. In your letter you requested an alteration to the Village of St. Claude Wastewater Collection System and Aerated Wastewater Treatment Lagoon involving the installation of a new intercell pipe and valve between Primary Cell 1 and Primary Cell 2.

Upon review of the NofA, I have decided to approve the proposed alterations pursuant to Section 14(2) of *The Environment Act* subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The proposed new intercell pipe should be installed at 2.0 m below the operating level of the two cells with an adequate distance from the existing intercell pipe;
- 2. The valve of the existing intercell pipe must be able to be closed in the event that the two primary cells need to be isolated from each other; and
- 3. The revisions associated with this NofA are accurately presented on the record drawings that are required to be submitted once construction of the alteration is completed and in accordance with requirements of the Licence.

The cause of the existing intercell pipe and valve failure is related to the accumulation of sludge in these cells. It is recommended that the Rural Municipality of Grey have an engineering assessment undertaken to determine what the impacts of the accumulated sludge are on lagoon operation and determine a plan to enhance the current operating abilities of the lagoon in the next several years.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss these items, please contact Barsha Sagan, Environmental Engineer, at (204) 945- 5234.

Yours sincerely,

"original signed by"

Tracey Braun, M.Sc. Director

c: Don Labossiere/Donna Smiley/Tyler Kneeshaw, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch

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