Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding our proposed expansion. We appreciate the opportunity to respond and want to address each of the issues you raised as clearly and respectfully as possible.

Water Protection:

Your potable well water is extremely important, and we take groundwater protection very seriously. As part of our regular farm management, we test all our water once a year, and our meat-house well is tested four times a year as required under our meat-cutting permit. Our expansion plan follows all provincial requirements for manure storage, field application setbacks, and construction standards designed to prevent leaching. We are committed to continuing these practices to ensure neighbouring wells remain protected.

Road Use on PR 350:

We understand your concerns about road conditions. We have made several efforts to help maintain PR 350, including formally requesting repairs and, with provincial permission, hauling the sides off the road at our own expense to improve drivability. We have also requested additional gravel each year but have been rejected to date. We remain committed to working with the Rural Municipality and Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure to find solutions that help reduce the impact of farm-related traffic on the road.

Odour Concerns:

We recognize that odour can affect quality of life for nearby residents. In our opinion, the expansion will not make odour issues worse. We already follow best practices for manure handling and application, including spreading compost around other houses to help reduce odours in the area. As part of the expansion, we will continue to implement practices that minimize off-site impacts as much as possible.

We value being part of this community and are committed to operating responsibly, transparently, and with respect for our neighbours.

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