SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPOONENT: MILLER ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION
PROPOSAL NAME: Interim Bulk Storage Facility
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: DGH&T ACT
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: N/A
CLIENT FILE NO.: 4058.00

OVERVIEW:

The proposal dated April 8, 1996 was received by the Department on April 11, 1996.
The proposal relates to the parking of trucks on a bermed, cement pad which is fenced. The trucks are to be parked at the facility until they contain a full load of hazardous waste contained in 45 gallon drums, at which time they are driven to the Miller facility at St Jean Baptiste in the Rural Municipality of Montcalm, for treatment/disposal of the hazardous wastes.
The proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday April 27, 1996, and was placed in the following public registries: Centennial Public Library, Manitoba Eco-Network, and Main Registry.
The closing date for public response was May 23, 1996.
The proposal was sent to TAC on April 22, 1996 with a response closing date of May 23, 1996

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

On May 7, 1996, a phone call was received from Mr. Al DeCaigny of Priority Electronics. Mr DeCaigny had seen the advert and wished to know how to see the proposal. He was informed of the Registry at 139 Tuxedo and he indicated that he would visit the Registry, which he did on May 8, 1996.
Mr DeCaigny is an employee of Priority Electronics which is a neighbour of Miller, located at 65 Trottier Bay.
Mr DeCaigny indicated that the proposal statement that all neighbours of Miller had been contacted was incorrect, since Priority Electronics was not contacted.
Mr DeCaigny was concerned that the Priority Electronics property value would be decreased, and stated that he would be contacting his lawyer.
On May 14, 1996 a letter dated May 10, 1996 was received from Richard Stefanyshyn of Wolch Pinx Tapper Scurfield. This letter was sent on behalf of Priority Electronics and was to inform the Department that Priority wished to make representation opposing the proposal. It was noted that the owner of Priority Electronics is Mr Blaine Henderson.
On May 22, 1996 the Miller proposal was discussed on the telephone with Mr Stefanyshyn and Mr Stefanyshyn was informed that Mr Edmonds of Miller would be requested to contact Priority and to determine the substance of the concerns of Mr Henderson.

On May 27, 1996 Mr Edmonds was contacted and he indicated that a meeting would be arranged with Mr Henderson as soon as possible. Due to vacations and other factors, Miller staff were not able to speak to Priority until late in August. It was noted that Priority had concerns about several of their neighbours.

On September 3, 1996 the Department contacted Mr Stefanyshyn in order to determine if there was a real, valid concern on the part of Priority. Mr Stefanyshyn requested time to review the file.

On September 17, Mr Stefanyshyn contacted the Department to inform them that Mr Kris Janovcik was now handling the case at Wolch Pinx. The file was discussed with Mr Janovcik.

A meeting was held on Sept 27 at the office of Wolch Pinx with staff of Miller, the Department, Priority Electronics and Wolch Pinx in attendance. After a full discussion of the proposal, Mr Henderson indicated that he was not going to proceed any further and that the meeting had resolved his concerns.

**COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

**Manitoba Environment, Environmental Quality Standards Branch, Water Quality Management Section** had the following comment - transfer of hazardous waste from truck to truck will occur in the berm parking pad area, but the waste will be containerized and thus minimize the quantity of material which may be spilled. The Water Quality Management Section has no concerns with the proposal provided the parking pad is constructed as per the proposal.

**Manitoba Environment, Hazardous Waste Section** commented that the proponent should provide a schematic for the parking pad; the Order should be consistent with the CEDA Order; the Order should specify how long a loaded vehicle can be parked; ( prefer no parking over weekend ) and the types and volumes of hazardous waste that will be stored in the trucks should be made clear.

**Manitoba Environment, Dangerous Goods, Winnipeg Region** commented that the proponent should be requested to clarify whether "other firm’s " vehicles would be entering the facility. It was also noted that it would be useful to have some idea of how additional vehicle movements would occur. Finally, it was stated that the proposal appears to be a relatively low risk operation, although it would be preferred for the trucks
to be parked inside the building when the site is unattended. But .. (this is not acceptable to the fire people).

**Manitoba Highways & Transportation** had no concerns

**Manitoba Natural Resources** requested that the proponent clarify and ensure that the size of the sump pump is of sufficient size and that overflows could not enter into the stormwater drain.

**Manitoba Historic Resources** had no concerns

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**COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** (cont.)

**Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency** responded that after a full review by federal departments with potential interest, application of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act with respect to this project will not be required.

The concerns of the Hazardous Waste Section, the Dangerous Goods Section, and the Department of Natural Resources were addressed satisfactorily by the Applicant.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The concerns of Blaine Henderson, the owner of Priority Electronics, a neighbour to the Miller facility were discussed at a meeting on September 27, 1996 and addressed to the satisfaction of Mr. Henderson. It was decided that a Public Hearing was not required.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Draft Order should be reviewed by the Director, finalized and then issued. The Order when issued, should be assigned to Dangerous Goods, Winnipeg Region for enforcement.

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