SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONEENT: MR. PAUL C. DERIG
PROPOSAL NAME: SIMPLOT SOILBUILDERS
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - LIQUID FERTILIZER
CLIENT FILE NO.: 4238:00

OVERVIEW:

On February 17, 1997, Manitoba Environment received a Proposal dated February 11, 1997, to install and operate a bulk liquid fertilizer blending/storage and distribution facilities to be located on the NE 1/4 12-16-18 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Minto. The development will consist of four liquid fertilizer blending/storage tanks, three of which will have a capacity of 12,000 gallons and the fourth would be 9,000 gallon capacity. The tanks would only be used to store fertilizer during the growing season. The remaining portion of the development would be used to store application or delivery equipment. The expected hours of operation will be from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with extensions during the spring and fall peak activity periods.

No public concerns were received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Minnedosa Tribune published on March 18, 1997. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, and the Western Manitoba Regional Library. The proposal was distributed to TAC on March 11, 1997, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on April 11, 1997.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency state that based on their staff survey, application of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act with respect to this proposal is not required.

Natural Resources - Policy Coordination Branch has reviewed the proposal and state they have no concerns.

Culture, Heritage and Recreation - Historic Resources has no concern with regard to its potential impact on heritage resources.
**Health** concerns include licence clauses to address site containment, maintenance of current inventories, emergency response plans, sound, and particulate matter, adequate protection of surface and ground waters, and proper use of sewage system and municipal ditch systems.

**Disposition**

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

**Manitoba Highways & Transportation** has reviewed the proposal and has no objection to the development as outlined in the information provided. The project's distance from any provincial roads or highways likely precludes any impact on their roads.

**Environmental Management** Water Quality has no concerns regarding surface water quality.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- No public hearing will be conducted.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

TAC concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

The responsibility for enforcement of the Licence should remain with Approvals Branch until the proponent complies with Clauses 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

A draft Environment Act Licence is attached for the Director's consideration.

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