SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPOSENENT: MR. RON APPLEYARD
PROPOSAL NAME: TWIN VALLEY CO-OP LTD.
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - CROP
PROTECTION WAREHOUSE

OVERVIEW:

On August 18, 1997, Manitoba Environment received a Proposal dated August 12, 1997, to install and operate a crop protection products warehouse, and distribution facilities to be located the SE1/4 30-19-24 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Rossburn. The proponent plans to install a steel portable 32’ x 14’ crop protection product warehouse on the property for the storage of agricultural chemicals. In addition there will be a 60 metric ton permanently mounted anhydrous ammonia tank, and 7 inline granular fertilizer hopper bins with a capacity of 84 metric tons each. The expected hours of operation will be from 8:00 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 Rossburn Review published on Monday, September 8, 1997. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, the Dauphin Public Library, and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on September 5, 1997, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on October 6, 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.

Culture, Heritage and Recreation - Historic Resources has no concern with regard to its potential impact on heritage resources.

Natural Resources - Policy Coordination Branch have reviewed this proposal and state consideration should be given that if a major spill occurs it will not negatively impact Birdtail Creek.
Concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Health concerns include licence clauses to address site containment, maintenance of current inventories, availability of emergency response plans, sound, odour and particulate matter, proper use of sewage system and municipal ditch systems, and ensuring adequate protection against surface and ground waters including the nearby slough.

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Environmental Management Terrestrial Quality Management requested further information regarding soil profile beneath the site as well as information regarding the surface water containment and release. Water Quality also stated some concerns regarding the protection of surface water quality in regard to secondary containment, berming, control culverts, and composition of soils onsite.

Additional information was requested and supplied by the proponent. This information along with the draft licence conditions addresses these concerns.

Environmental Operation have reviewed the proposal and have no concerns regarding this development.

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 1, 2, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 26.

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

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