SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPOINENT: MR. GERRY CAPLAP
PROPOSAL NAME: MANITOBA POOL ELEVATORS
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - CROP PROTECTION WAREHOUSE
GRANULAR FERTILIZER - ANHYDROUS AMMONIA
CLIENT FILE NO.: 4330.00

OVERVIEW:

On May 8, 1998, Manitoba Environment received a Proposal dated May 7, 1998, to install and operate a crop protection products warehouse, a bulk granular fertilizer blending/storage, an anhydrous ammonia storage tank, and distribution facilities to be located the SE 1/4 24-7-28 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Pipestone. The proponent plans to construct a 40' x 60' crop protection warehouse. The anhydrous ammonia fertilizer facilities will consist of a 30,000 gal. stationary tank, nurse tanks, scale and associated equipment. The dry bulk granular fertilizer will be stored in six bins with approx. 780 metric tonnes capacity with an eight tonne vertical screw blender. The hours of operation are 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with extended hours during the peak agricultural season.

No public concerns were received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Reston Recorder published on Tuesday May 19, 1998. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, the Border Regional Library (Virden), and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on May 12, 1998, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on June 12, 1998.

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 they have no concerns.

Health concerns include licence clauses to address site containment, maintenance of current inventories, availability of emergency response plans, sound, odour and particulate matter control, proper use of sewage system and municipal ditch systems, and ensuring adequate protection against surface and ground waters. In addition concerns include following anhydrous ammonia regulations and ensuring there is a 100 metre buffer to residents.

Disposition:
The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Highways state they have no concerns as this development is considerable distance from provincial roads.

Environmental Management Water Quality has reviewed the proposal and has no surface water quality concerns. Terrestrial Quality Management requested further information regarding secondary containment and recommend the use of reworked clay, site berming and a control culvert.

Disposition:
The proponent provided additional information. The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

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, 11, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, and 29.

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

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