OVERVIEW:

A proposal dated March 27, 1998, was received from Mr. Mel Forsyth on behalf of Easy Way Cattle Oilers Ltd., on April 9, 1998, and November 9, 1998, for the construction and operation of a manufacturing facility located on Lumsden Street in Lot 2, Block 1 SP Plan 2259 BLTO, in Sinclair at SE ¼ 13-7-29 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Pipestone. The development involves the manufacture of agricultural products using urethane foam rotation moulding. There is potential for air borne emissions and noise. Plant operation is based on one shift from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., five days per week. Extended hours of operation may eventually be added.

This proposal was advertised in the Reston Recorder on Tuesday, December 1, 1998, and was placed in the Border Regional Library (Virden), the Centennial Public Library, Manitoba Eco-Network and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was sent to the Technical Advisory Committee on November 24, 1998. The public and TAC comment closing date was December 22, 1998.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

1. Manitoba Culture, Heritage & Citizenship – Historical Resources Branch – has no concerns with regard to this project’s potential to impact heritage resources.

   No response necessary.

2. Manitoba Rural Development – Community Economic Development – have no concerns provided Manitoba Environment is satisfied there will be no unacceptable risks such as vapours or dust.

   No response necessary.

3. Manitoba Environment – Management Division - Air Quality Management Branch – has the following comments:

   - a clarification of what plastic raw materials were being used and what specific products were to be made
   - is the temperature of the process 250° C or 250° F
   - how will the dust created in the processing be controlled
   - what is the distance from the point of emission of the fumes to the nearest residence

   The above comments were sent to the proponent for reply. The proponent provided some of the information requested. A site inspection addressed the remaining concerns. The relevant comments have been addressed in the Licence.
4. Environment Canada – Canadian Environment Review Agency – state that no environmental assessment of this project will be necessary under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act. Environment Canada indicated a willingness to offer specialist advice.

   No response necessary.

5. Manitoba Natural Resources – Policy Coordination Branch – has no concerns.

   No response necessary.

6. Manitoba Environment - Operations Division – Park-West Region – have no concerns.

   No response necessary.


   No response necessary.


   No response necessary.


   No response necessary.

10. Manitoba Health - Public Health - Environmental Unit – has the following comments:

    - air emission monitoring for aldehydes and aromatic hydrocarbons to clearly state that there will be no environmental or health impact
    - dust emission control and efficient bag-house/dust collection system
    - sound control and monitoring
    - availability for review of emergency response plan
    - prevention of solvents or other products used or contaminated wastewaters from entering the sewage disposal and municipal ditch systems through diking or other appropriate containment measures
    - septic field regulations
    - maintain current inventory lists in designated area
    - propane and gasoline regulations

    Those relevant comments have been addressed in the Licence or are addressed by other Regulations.

11. Manitoba Labour - Workplace Safety and Health Division – did not respond.

    No response necessary.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Public hearings were not requested nor convened.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A Licence considering the above relevant concerns as well as those of the Approvals Branch be prepared and issued. Responsibility for enforcement of the Licence may be transferred to the Region.