

## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPONENT:** MR. ARTHUR GAGNON  
**PROPOSAL NAME:** GAGNON SEED SERVICE LTD.  
**CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT:** 1  
**TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:** BULK HANDLING -  
CROP PROTECTION WAREHOUSE -  
**CLIENT FILE NO.:** 5258.00

### **OVERVIEW:**

On April 2, 2007, Manitoba Conservation received a Proposal dated March 26, 2007, for the operation and construction of a crop protection products warehouse, seed cleaning/storage and distribution facilities to be located on the SE¼ 8-23-14 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose. The proponent intends to install an approximately 24' x 26' metal clad building c/w 12' concrete floor meeting the Agricultural Warehousing Standards. This is in addition to the existing seed plant and seed storage. The normal hours of operation will be followed from April to November with extended hours during spring/fall farm operations.

No public concerns were received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Dauphin Herald published on Tuesday April 17, 2007. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Millennium Public Library, the Manitoba Eco-Network, the Dauphin Public Library and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on April 10, 2007, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on May 14, 2007.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No public responses were received.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

**Historic Resources Branch** has no concern with regard to its potential impact on heritage resources.

**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. Health Canada expressed concerns that provincial health and safety guidelines are followed. In addition their concerns include site security, spill contingency plans, proper ventilation systems, dust control and vermin control.

#### **Disposition:**

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

**Water Stewardship**-have concerns regarding the source of water supply and that provincial plumbing codes are followed.

Disposition:

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

**Sustainable Resource & Policy Management Branch** has reviewed this proposal and state that the loading area should be a slight curb to contain potential spills along with a sump to clean up spills. They suggest roofing over the loading pad. In addition they request a secondary containment area of impervious material (diking) to contain potential fire fighting materials and prevent downward leaching of any contaminated liquids. They recommend that the dike be constructed 5 meters from the outside wall of the warehouse with a means for draining precipitation. Potentially contaminated liquids should be tested prior to release.

Disposition:

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

**Agriculture, Food & Rural Initiatives** has reviewed this proposal and have no concerns.

**Manitoba Transportation & Government Services** they state they have reviewed the proposal and have identified no concerns.

**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, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.

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

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