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Cynthia Wiebe, P.Eng., Manager Engineering Services Division City of Winnipeg 109-1199 Pacific Avenue Winnipeg MB RE3 3S8 cwiebe@winnipeg.ca

Dear Cynthia Wiebe:

Re: South End Water Pollution Control Centre (SEWPCC) - Environment Act Licence No. 2716 RR - Notice of Alteration Response

This letter is in response to your notice of alteration request, dated May 19, 2023, in accordance with Section 14 of The Environment Act, for the South End Water Pollution Control Centre operating under Environment Act Licence No. 2716 RR (licence).

The notice you provided identifies that the nutrient limits are being met at the facility for normal flow conditions. However, work remains outstanding to commission the high rate clarification system and to commission the fermenters, thickeners and biofilters required for biological phosphorous removal. The City requests a revised compliance plan schedule such that full compliance will be delayed from July 2023 until December 2023 – April 2024. The completion date is provided as a range to indicate that the City is working with their contractor collaboratively to meet the earlier date but are not committing to it.

As noted in our April 2022 response to your previous request for an extension, our expectation is that the City will complete the upgrades as soon as possible and under the currently approved timeline and that no further extensions will be issued. Therefore, I thank you for this update to your progress and the actions you are taking to complete the project. This notice of alteration is denied.

Although the City remains out of compliance, the department acknowledges the delays and accepts the submission as an amendment to your compliance plan. The City is required to do the following:

- 1. continue to meet the phosphorous and total nitrogen limits and other limits specified in Clause 28 of Licence No. 2716 RR, complete the upgrades, and achieve full licence compliance
- 2. continue to submit monthly and quarterly progress reports
- 3. identify and describe all measures taken to prevent further delays in the monthly and quarterly progress reports

Should you have any technical questions regarding this response, please contact Siobhan Burland Ross, Engineering Manager, Environmental Approvals Branch, at 204-793-6487 or Siobhan.BurlandRoss@gov.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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