SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: BlueStar Distribution Inc.

PROPOSAL NAME: BlueStar Distribution Inc. – Crop Protection

Warehouse – 555 Hervo Street Winnipeg

CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Bulk Materials Handling Facility

CLIENT FILE NO.: 5663.00

OVERVIEW:

An Environment Act Proposal has been filed by BlueStar Distribution Inc. for the operation of a Crop Protection Products Warehouse, Re-Packaging, Bulk Storage and Transfer Facility located at 555 Hervo Street in the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba. The development will consist of one newly constructed plant and a second pre-existing plant formerly operated as the Manitoba Sugar Company, which has been retrofitted for the proposed activities. Both facilities are designed to meet the Agri-Chemical Warehousing Standards Association requirements.

The Proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday August 24, 2013. Copies of the proposal were placed in the Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship Electronic Public Registry. The proposal was distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on August 22, 2013. The closing date for TAC and public comments was on September 24, 2013.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Following is a summary of TAC comments received pertaining to the Proposal. Copies of the original comments from TAC are available in the Public Registries.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Land Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Parks and Natural Areas Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

<u>Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Watersheds and Protected Areas</u> Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Water Use Licencing Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

<u>Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Groundwater Management</u> Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Fisheries Branch

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Agriculture Food and Rural Initiatives

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Office of the Fire Commissioner

With respect to the new and renovated buildings, Plant #1 and Plant #2, the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) recommends that the applicant obtain the necessary Building and Occupancy permits from the authority having jurisdiction, the City of Winnipeg. There should also be a fire safety plan, as required by Section 2.8 of the Manitoba Fire Code, prepared and submitted to the local fire authority in the City of Winnipeg. *Disposition:*

The concerns have been provided to the proponent as information.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:

The project will be located on industrial land in an established industrial zoned area in The City of Winnipeg. All surrounding land potentially affected is also privately owned land. The project will not affect resource use on land or water. There are no adjacent or nearby First Nations.

RECOMMENDATION:

The provincial TAC expressed no concerns, or concerns are addressed in the draft licence, regarding the proposal. Therefore, it is recommended that the Development be licensed under *The Environment Act* subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached draft Environment Act licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be assigned to the Central Region.

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