## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPONENT:** Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation

PROPOSAL NAME: Gerdau Winnipeg Metallics Raw Materials

-City of Winnipeg

CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: DGH&T Act

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Waste lead acid battery, used oil, waste flammable

liquids and mercury switches transfer facility

CLIENT FILE NO.: 5665.00

## **OVERVIEW:**

A Proposal was filed on June 5, 2013 by Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation for the continued operation of a waste lead acid battery, used oil, waste flammable liquids and mercury switches collection and transfer facility at 314 Dawson Road North within the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba. The facility collects and stores waste lead acid battery, used oil, waste flammable liquids and mercury switches and transfers them to licensed facilities for processing.

The Proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday September 21, 2013. Copies of the proposal were placed in the Public Registries at the Legislative Library and the Millennium Public Library. The proposal was distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on September 20, 2013. The closing date for TAC and public comments was on October 21, 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.

# <u>Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch</u>

No concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

## Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Fisheries Branch

(a) Fisheries Branch has reviewed this proposal to continue the operation of a waste lead acid battery transfer facility at 314 Dawson Road North in Winnipeg. The batteries are stored indoors in the non-ferrous warehouse which is fully covered by a metal roof and has a concrete floor throughout. The batteries are stored on pallets.

The applicants are proposing to place plastic containment trays under the wooden pallets during storage. If this review is just for the temporary storage of batteries then given the information provided and the location of the facility it would appear that there are no fisheries concerns.

- (b) Are the other components such as the drain tower and fluid extraction system already licensed?
- (c) Do you know if the area under the drain tower is lined and from the photo there does not appear to be secondary containment?

## Disposition:

The Licence covers used oil and flammable liquids extracted from the drain tower-fluid extraction system.

The Licence includes a clause which addresses this concern. This includes submission of a plan for the implementation of a system to contain spill and overflow of fluids from the SEDA drain tower and fluid extraction system.

## Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water

Reviewed the above noted EAP and see no cause for concern in it respecting safety of drinking water.

Disposition:

No action needed.

## Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Parks and Natural Areas Branch

The Branch has no comments to offer as this does not impact any parks or ecological reserves.

Disposition:

No action needed.

## Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC)

The Office of the Fire Commissioner recommends that there should be an updated Fire Safety Plan developed for the facility. The plan should be developed in cooperation with the Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service, Fire Prevention Branch, as required by Section 2.8 of the Manitoba Fire Code and be submitted to the local fire authority for approval.

Disposition:

Comment provided to proponent as information

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

The Watersheds and Protected Areas Branch and the Lands Branch has no concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

#### **Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation**

MIT has reviewed the application under the *Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act* noted above and we do not have any concern.

Disposition:

No action needed.

# Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency - Prairie & Northern Region (CEAA)

CEAA has reviewed the application. It is not a designated project under CEAA 2012. CEAA will not be providing any comments on the application.

Disposition:

No action needed.

## Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Water Use Licencing Section

No comments or concerns

Disposition:

No action needed.

## **PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing is not recommended.

#### **CROWN ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:**

The Project is located on land owned by the applicant and located in an industrial area within the City of Winnipeg. The site and all of the adjacent parcels are zoned "M3 – Manufacturing Heavy". All surrounding land potentially affected is also privately owned industrial zoned land. The project would 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 Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act* subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached draft DGH&T Act licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be assigned to the Central Region.

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