

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: Heidelberg Materials Canada Ltd
PROPOSAL NAME: Heidelberg Materials Concrete Pipe Plant
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 2
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Manufacturing Industrial
CLIENT FILE NO.: 6245.00

As part of the [environmental assessment and licensing process](#), the purpose of this document is to summarize comments received from the public and government's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and how they are addressed. It includes a recommendation to inform the director's licensing decision.

INTRODUCTION

Heidelberg Materials Canada Ltd submitted a proposal on November 5, 2024, to continue operating a concrete pipe and precast concrete manufacturing plant at 2520 Ferrier Street in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The facility manufactures concrete pipes of various sizes mainly for sanitary and storm water sewer systems.

The proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg Free Press on November 23, 2024. It was placed in the online Public Registry as follows: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries/6245/index.html>.

The proposal was distributed to Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members on November 21, 2024.

The closing date for comments from members of the public and TAC members was December 23, 2024.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The department did not receive any public comments on the proposal during the comment period.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) responses are listed in Table 1 below. Substantive comments and their dispositions follow the table. TAC comments are provided in full in the public registries at <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries/6245/index.html>.

Table 1 Heidelberg Materials Canada Ltd - Heidelberg Materials Concrete Pipe Plant
Technical Advisory Committee Comments

No	Technical Advisory Committee Member	Response Provided
1	Environment and Climate Change	
	Environmental Approvals Branch	
	• Air Quality Management	No Concerns
	Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch	No Response
	Office of Drinking Water	No Concerns
	Environmental Programs and Remediation Branch	No Response
	Drainage and Water Rights Licensing Branch	
	• Water Use Licensing Section	No Concerns
	• Drainage and Water Rights Licensing Section	No Response
	Water Science and Watershed Management Branch	
	• Water Quality Management Section	No Response
	• Groundwater Management Section	Comment
	Climate Change and Clean Technology	No Response
	Parks Branch	No Response
2	Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources	
	Wildlife and Fisheries Branch (wildlife)	No Response
	Wildlife and Fisheries Branch (fisheries)	No Response
	Forestry and Peatlands Branch	No Concerns
	Lands and Planning	No Concerns
	Crown Land Specialist	No Response
	Mines Program	No Concerns
	Petroleum Program	No Concerns
	Lands Branch	No Response
3	Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism - Historic Resources Branch	No Response
4	Municipal and Northern Relations	
	Community Planning Branch	No Response
	Office of the Fire Commissioner	No Response
5	Labour and Immigration - Inspection and Technical Services	No Concerns

6	Transportation and Infrastructure - Environmental Services and Consultation Branch	
	• Highway design - Roadside Development	No Response
	• Highway Regional Operations	Comments
	• Hydrologic Forecasting & Water Management	No Response
7	Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care - WRHA	Comments

Manitoba Environment and Climate – Groundwater Management Section

The Groundwater Management Section provided the following comment, and the proponent is required to provide additional information.

- The proposal identifies approximately 31 wells within a one-kilometer radius of the site. However, additional wells may exist beyond those noted in the proposal. It is recommended that an assessment be conducted to locate all wells on the site or in areas that could potentially be impacted by operational activities.
- The GWD drill groundwater well log referenced in Appendix 'B' is not included in the appendix.
- It is recommended that a contingency plan be developed to address potential negative impacts on water quality or quantity that may affect groundwater users during operations.

Disposition:

The proponent provided the requested additional information. Groundwater Management Section reviewed the additional information and does not have any further question.

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation – Highway Regional Operations

The following comment from the Infrastructure and Transportation was forwarded to the proponent to provide additional information.

- In the proposal noise is listed as an effect with provided mitigation measures. However, there is no evaluation of the noise level around the surrounding residential properties.

Disposition:

The proponent provided the requested additional information. Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation reviewed the additional information and does not have any further question. In addition, clause 5 of the draft licence addresses issues related to noise nuisance.

Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care – Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

The following comment from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority was forwarded to the proponent to provide additional information.

- Could the proponent further describe the potential noise hazards that might be generated, other than vehicles? Are there other aspects of their operations that could generate noise that might impact the adjacent neighbourhoods, and how do they plan on mitigating these? And would a study evaluating noise impacts be indicated?

Disposition:

The proponent provided the requested additional information. Winnipeg Regional Health Authority reviewed the additional information and does not have any further question. In addition, clause 5 of the draft licence addresses issues related to noise nuisance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information was provided on January 29, 2025, to address questions provided by the technical advisory committee members.

PUBLIC HEARING

As no public comments were received, a public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN-INDIGENOUS CONSULTATION

The Government of Manitoba recognizes that it has a duty to consult in a meaningful way with Indigenous communities when any proposed provincial law, regulation, decision or action may infringe upon or adversely affect the exercise of the Indigenous rights of that community.

The Initial Assessment conducted for this project has concluded that the licensing decision does not have the potential to adversely affect the exercise of an Aboriginal or Treaty right. Crown-Indigenous consultation will not be undertaken for the Heidelberg Materials Canada Ltd - Heidelberg Materials Concrete Pipe Plant licensing decision. The facility is an existing operation in an industrial zoned area within the City of Winnipeg.

RECOMMENDATION

Comments received have been addressed through the provision of information and licence conditions. I recommend that the development be licensed under The Environment Act subject to the specifications, limits, terms, and conditions as described in the attached draft Environment Act Licence. I also recommend assigning the administration of the licence to the Winnipeg Region of the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch.

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