

September 21, 2012

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Dear Mr. Nigel Thompson,

Re: 2185 Logan Avenue (North West Smelting)

Thank you for your letter of September 6, 2012 regarding your clients concerns about the property located at 2185 Logan Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba. To address your clients concerns as noted in your letter I can offer the following answers to those concerns.

1. To date, Manitoba Conservation has received a “Hazard Materials Management Plan” from the owner’s consultant outlining several different “waste streams” of material to be disposed of at several licensed disposal facilities.
2. The document also states, to prevent drainage from leaving the site, controlling of precipitation from leaving the site through surface runoff will be mitigated by berming off areas that have low lying areas to ensure that the water stays on-site. All water traps and drains within the building will be plugged and capped using grout and sealers and any catch basins or manholes will be bermed off.
3. Water from a local fire hydrant as well as water from an on-site water truck will be utilized as dust suppression during the demolition of the buildings on the property at 2185 Logan to mitigate dust becoming airborne to adjoining properties.
4. Manitoba Conservation cannot determine timelines or milestones for the project as those are determined by the progress of the project, the consultant, on-site contractor and weather conditions.
5. Any on-site, off-site investigation reports (once completed) as well as the Remedial Action Plan (once produced) will be placed in the Public Registry at 123 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba for public viewing.

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To date, the "Hazardous Materials Management Plan" provided to Manitoba Conservation by the consultant for the project and the "Site Specific Safety Plan" produced by the on-site contractor provides adequate information to ensure that the potential of any potential off-site migration of contaminants does not occur. This includes the potential for surface water runoff and dust suppression during the demolition of the buildings. These reference materials can also be found in the Public Registry file.

The anticipated forward progression of the project from this point onward is as follows:

- Transport hazardous and non-hazardous materials off site;
- Demolition of on-site buildings;
- Removal of all building debris;
- Site investigation (on-site and off-site);
- Remedial Action Plan (RAP) submission;
- Execution of RAP.

I hope this helps addresses all of your clients' concerns/questions. Should you have any further concerns/questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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