

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: MR. CLEM MACVICAR
PROPOSAL NAME: IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - ANHYDROUS AMMONIA
CLIENT FILE NO.: 4354:00

OVERVIEW:

On July 6, 1998, Manitoba Environment received a Proposal dated June 20, 1998, to install and operate an anhydrous ammonia storage tank, and distribution facilities to be located the SW ¼ 2-12-10 WPM in the Rural Municipality of North Norfolk. The proponent plans to install a permanent mounted 42,000 USWG (US water gallons) anhydrous ammonia storage vessel. In addition the site will house an office. The site will be secured by a chainlink fence. The hours of operation are 7:00 am to 8:00 pm for approximately four weeks per season.

No public concerns were received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Portage Herald published on Tuesday July 21, 1998. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, the Portage Plains Regional Library, and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on July 14, 1998, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on August 14, 1998.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency state that based on their staff survey, application of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* with respect to this proposal is not required.

Culture, Heritage and Recreation - Historic Resources has no concern with regard to its potential impact on heritage resources.

Natural Resources - Policy Coordination Branch have reviewed this proposal and state they have no concerns.

Health concerns are that there is adequate protection against chemical leaks, vandalism and that the proponent develops an emergency response plan.

Disposition

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Rural Development advise that the area under consideration is designated "Agriculture" in the Nor-Mac Development Plan and zoned "A80" Agricultural Zone in the North Norfolk Zoning By-law. This zoning allows for storage and sale of anhydrous ammonia as a Conditional Use. They have no concerns with the proposed development.

Highways state that the proponent may be required to enter into an agreement with Manitoba Highways and Transportation to cover potential liability issues which may be associated with the accidental discharge arising from this operation.

Environmental Management Water Quality has reviewed the proposal and has no surface water quality concerns. Air Quality Management suggests the odour nuisance clause be incorporated into the licence to manage potential odour complaints.

Disposition

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Environmental Operations state that surface runoff should be prevented from going into the adjoining creek located at the north end of the proposed site. Any future storage of granular fertilizer should be subject to filing a new proposal.

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The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- No public hearing will be conducted.

RECOMMENDATION:

TAC concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

The responsibility for enforcement of the Licence should remain with Approvals Branch until the proponent complies with Clauses 3, 9, 14, 15, and 16.

A draft Environment Act Licence is attached for the Director's consideration.

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