

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPOSER: MR. RON CAMERON
PROPOSAL NAME: SASKFERCO PRODUCTS INC.
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - GRANULAR FERTILIZER WAREHOUSE
CLIENT FILE NO.: 4538.00

OVERVIEW:

On July 17, 2000, Manitoba Conservation received a Proposal dated July 6, 2000, to construct/install and operate a bulk urea fertilizer storage warehouse, and distribution facilities to be located on the SE ¼ 26-06-04 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Dufferin. The proponent intends to install a warehouse with a nominal storage capacity of 80, 000 Metric Tonnes of bulk granular fertilizer grade urea. In addition the proposed facility will have its own dedicated rail track formation to station and discharge the product from rail cars. The fertilizer will be loaded into the warehouse by means of belt & bucket elevator conveying systems. The proponent intends to install a de-dusting system to separate the dust from the urea granules and recovery the dust by filtering the air in a cyclone and bag-house system. The hours of operation are 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday to Friday with extended hours and or shifts during the peak agricultural season.

No public concerns were received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Carman Valley Leader published on Monday July 2, 2000. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, the South Central Regional Library (Morden), Manitoba Eco-Network and the Environment Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on July 17, 2000, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on August 8, 2000.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

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

Health concerns include providing adequate protection against fires and providing an emergency response plan.

Disposition:

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Intergovernmental Affairs state the propose site is zoned "AR" Agriculture Restricted in the Dufferin Zoning By-law. As the Dufferin Council approved the facility by Order No. 3C/2000, they have no land use concerns.

Highways & Government Services state that the proponent should be informed that any new, modified or relocated access connection onto PTH 3 requires a permit from the Highways Traffic Board.

Disposition:

The information was provided to the proponent..

Environmental Management Water Quality has reviewed the proposal and stress the need to clean up fertilizer spills to prevent material carried by water from the running water drainage plan. Terrestrial Quality Mgt. concerns were that the rail car offloading and truck loading areas be underlain by concrete pads to facilitate the cleanup of any spilled product.

Disposition:

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 1, 12, 13, and 14.

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

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