

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROponent: MR. BRETT CHRISTIE
PROPOSAL NAME: AGRICORE UNITED
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING - ANHYDROUS AMMONIA
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5006:00

OVERVIEW:

On January 13, 2004, Manitoba Conservation received a Proposal dated January 12, 2004, to install and operate an anhydrous ammonia storage tank, and distribution facilities to be located the SW ¼ 12-3-8 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Pembina. The proponent plans to install a permanent mounted 30,000 USWG (US water gallons) anhydrous ammonia storage vessel. In addition the site will house an office and weigh scale. The site was previously used as an anhydrous site and is secured by a seven foot fence. The hours of operation are 7:00 am to 10:00 pm for approximately 9 weeks in the spring and 7:00 am to 8:00 pm for approximately 9 weeks in the fall.

The proposal was advertised in the Morden Times published on Monday January 26, 2004. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, the South Central Regional Library, and the Conservation Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on January 16, 2004, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on February 19, 2004.

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 the proposal and have no concerns.

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

Disposition

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Community Planning Services advise that the proposed development could be subject to the development plan and zoning by-law which will be adopted by the Pembina-Manitou Planning District.

Disposition

The proponent has been made aware of this requirement.

Transportation and Government Services has no comment

Sustainable Resource Management has no comments.

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, 16 and 17.

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

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