

## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPONENT:** Prairie Flour Mills Ltd.  
**PROPOSAL NAME:** Prairie Flour Mills Ltd.  
**CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT:** 1  
**TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:** Food Processing Plant  
**CLIENT FILE NO.:** 4210.00

### **OVERVIEW:**

On October 10, 1996, the Department received a Proposal dated October 8, 1996, compiled by MAN-WEST Environmental Group Ltd. The Proponent proposes to develop 120 tonne per day flour mill to be located on a 10.3 hectare (26 acre) parcel of land located between the TransCanada Highway and the CN North America railway line, in the eastern portion of Section 10, Township 11, Range 3 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Cartier. The Development will consist of materials receiving and storage facilities, milling building, office, warehouse, and access roads.

Potential pollutant releases include dust, noise, and wastewater. Dust emissions will be controlled by high efficiency filters. The only wastewater generated by the operation is sanitary wastewater. The Proponent proposes a septic system for sanitary wastewater disposal.

The development site is within the 100 year flood plain of the La Salle River. The Proponent proposes to protect the development with a dike built to the 100 year flood elevation plus 0.6 metres.

The Department, on October 15, 1996, placed copies of the Proposal in the Public Registries located at Building 2, 139 Tuxedo Avenue; the Centennial Public Library; Eco-Network, and the Portage Regional Library and provided copies of the Proposal to the Interdepartmental Planning Board and TAC members. As well, the Department place public notification of the Proposal in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday, October 19, 1996, and the Portage Herald Leader Press on Tuesday October 22, 1996. The newspaper and TAC notification invited responses until November 4, 1996.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No comment was received from members of the public in response to the notification given.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

#### **Highways**

- no objections to this development .
- request submission of design details, construction schedule and operational procedures

#### **Natural Resources**

- the property is subject to flooding by the La Salle River and flood protection should be required.

#### **Historic Resources**

- no response.

### **Urban Affairs**

- no comment.

### **Rural Development**

- no concerns

### **Health**

- Health concerns include: excessive dust; excessive noise; accidents due to increased traffic (especially turning traffic on the TransCanada Highway); and alterations of groundwater quality due to withdrawals from the Elie groundwater source.
- Outstanding questions:
  - what happens to the 6000 litres per day used in the plant?

#### Disposition:

- Dust and noise emission limits will be addressed in the operating stage (Stage 2) licence
- Highways has not expressed a safety concern but has requested additional information. Highways has authority to require additional safety measures if necessary. Highways have long range plans to control access to PTH !.
- The Proponent was asked to identify the fate of the raw water consumption and advised that the water was consumed in the process or makes up the sanitary wastewater flow. The draft licence requires the Proponent to provide details of the sanitary wastewater disposal system prior to construction.
- The draft licence includes a clause to assess the impact on the groundwater quality and to file a mitigation plan should any impacts be identified.

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### **Environment-Operations Division**

- recommends inclusion of standard particulate emission, opacity, visible particulate residue, noise, odour, and housekeeping clauses.

#### Disposition:

- These will be included in the operating stage (Stage 2) licence.

### **Environment-Water Quality Management**

- no comments.

### **Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency**

- application of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* will not be required.

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing is not recommended.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The attached draft Licence be issued. Enforcement should be retained by the Approvals Branch until all submissions are made.

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