

## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPONENT:** Health Canada  
**PROPOSAL NAME:** Biomedical Waste Transfer Station  
**CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT:** DGH&T Act  
**TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:** Biomedical Waste Collection and Transfer Facility  
**CLIENT FILE NO.:** 5745.00

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### **OVERVIEW:**

A Proposal was filed on October 30, 2014 by the Health Canada for the Operation of a Biomedical Waste Collection and Transfer Facility at 300-391 York Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba. The facility will receive Bio-medical waste from Environmental Health Officers servicing First Nations road communities and store them temporarily and then send them to a licensed facility for treatment and disposal.

The Proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday, November 22, 2014. Copies of the proposal were placed in the Public Registries at the Legislative Library and the Millennium Public Library as well as the online Public Registry. The proposal was distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on November 20, 2014. The closing date for TAC and public comments was on December 23, 2014.

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

No public responses were received.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC):**

Following is a summary of TAC comments received pertaining to the Proposal. Copies of the original comments from TAC are available in the Public Registries.

#### **Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch**

Environmental Compliance and Enforcement (Central Region) has reviewed the above noted Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act Proposal (DGHTA), and has no concerns.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

#### **Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Crops Branch**

No comment from MAFRD.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water**

Office of Drinking Water reviewed the EAP and found no concerns respecting drinking water safety or quality.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Lands Branch**

The Lands Branch has no comments as no Crown land is involved in the proposal.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, Parks and Protected Spaces Branch**

Parks and Protected Spaces Branch has reviewed the proposal submitted pursuant to the *Environment Act* for DGHT Application for review & comment - Health Canada Bio-Waste - DGHT File: 5745.00. The Branch has no comments or concerns to offer as it does not affect any provincial parks, park reserves, ecological reserves, areas of special interest or proposed protected areas.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC)**

The Office of the Fire Commissioner recommends that the proponent obtain a new Occupancy permit for this portion of the building where the waste /storage area in the basement, as this is an office building. The contact is the City of Winnipeg Building Code authority at 83-30 Fort Ave. Also, the proponent shall submit an updated Fire Safety Plan for review /acceptance by the Winnipeg Fire Department.

*Disposition:*

Comment provided to proponent as information.

**Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation**

MIT has reviewed the proposal and do not have any concern.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Water Use Licensing Section**

No concerns.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Land Management & Planning**

Land Management & Planning Section has no comment.

*Disposition:*

No action needed.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing is not recommended.

**CROWN ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:**

The Project is located in the downtown multiple use area within the City of Winnipeg. The site and the adjacent properties are zoned “M – Multiple Use Sector”. All surrounding properties potentially affected are offices, residential apartments and parking spaces. The project would not affect resource use on land or water. There are no adjacent or nearby First Nations.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The provincial TAC expressed no concerns, or concerns are addressed in the draft licence, regarding the proposal. Therefore, it is recommended that the Development be licensed under *The Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act* subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached draft DGH&T Act licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be assigned to the Central Region.

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