

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: PENNER INTERNATIONAL INC.
PROPOSAL NAME: Waste Lead Acid Battery Storage Facility (Staging)
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: DGH&T Act
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Waste Lead Acid Battery Storage Facility
(Staging)
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5797.00

OVERVIEW:

A *Dangerous Goods Handling & Transportation Act* Application has been filed by Penner International Inc. for the operation of a waste lead acid battery storage facility (Staging of waste batteries in trailers) at 20 HWY 12 North, City of Steinbach, Manitoba. As per application filed by Penner International Inc., the facility will temporarily store inbound waste lead acid batteries in trailers and then dispatch them to licensed facilities for processing.

The Proposal was advertised in the Steinbach Carillon on Thursday, October 5, 2015. 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 October 5, 2015. The closing date for TAC and public comments was on November 8, 2015.

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 (Eastern Region) has reviewed the above noted DGHT Application and would like to provide the following comments for consideration.

- 1. Are any additional safety measures being considered to ensure that the parked trailers are appropriately separated/protected from other potentially reactive substances stored in other trailers?*
- 2. Will staff be provided with additional training in the handling of hazardous materials and incident response with respect to waste batteries?*

These comments were provided to the proponent and the proponent responded by indicating the following:

- 1. As per the attached photograph, trailer loaded with waste batteries are staged at a separate location on the property as indicated on our response of September 9, 2015. Any trailers to the left or right would not contain any hazardous materials only general freight or empty.*
- 2. Dispatchers that are responsible for trailers staged at our Steinbach terminal are trained as required under the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act. They also have specific instructions in the event of fire or leak. Steinbach Security Services who monitor the property after hours have been informed that trailers containing hazardous waste could be staged on the property and have been given information on procedures in the event of fire or leak.*

Disposition:

The response submitted by the Proponent satisfies the concerns expressed by the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch, Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship.

The licence contains clauses requiring the licensee to address these requirements.

No further action needed.

Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC)

The Office of the Fire Commissioner has no concerns or comments.

Disposition:

No action needed.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Land Management & Planning Section

Land Management & Planning Section has no comment as no Crown land is impacted by the proposal.

Disposition:

No action needed.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:

The Project is located within a commercial area within the City of Steinbach. The site and the adjacent properties are zoned “C3 – “Highway Commercial Zone”. All adjacent land potentially affected is privately owned commercial zoned land. 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 Eastern Region.

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