

## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPOSER:** Town of Roblin  
**PROPOSAL NAME:** Town of Roblin Water Treatment Plant Upgrade  
**CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT:** Two  
**TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:** Water Development and Control  
**CLIENT FILE NO.:** 5451.00

### **OVERVIEW:**

The Proposal was received on January 29, 2010. It was dated January 27, 2010. The advertisement of the Proposal was as follows:

“A Proposal has been filed by Stantec Consulting Ltd. on behalf of the Town of Roblin to upgrade the Town’s water treatment system. The two existing supply wells would be retained, and a new water treatment plant and treated water reservoir would be constructed on PTH 5 between the Town’s public works yard and the firehall. The new treatment plant would have a raw water pumping capacity of 28 litres per second (451 cubic decametres per year), and a treated water capacity of 22 litres per second (383 cubic decametres per year), sufficient for estimated Town needs in 2029. 80% of the treated water would be produced through a reverse osmosis filtration system, which would produce 75.2 cubic decametres of reject water annually. 20% of the treated water would be produced through a manganese greensand filtration system. Reject water from the reverse osmosis filters and backwash water from the manganese greensand filter would be discharged to the Town’s wastewater treatment lagoon during the summer and fall months. During winter and spring months, backwash water would be discharged to the lagoon, and reject water would be discharged to a proposed storage reservoir to be constructed in Currey Park. This reservoir would be discharged to the lagoon during the summer months. Construction of the upgraded treatment system is proposed for 2010, with operation beginning in the spring of 2011.”

The Proposal was advertised in the Roblin Review on Tuesday, March 2, 2010. It was placed in the Main, Millennium Public Library (Winnipeg), and Manitoba Eco-Network public registries, as well as at the Town of Roblin as a registry location. It was distributed to TAC members on February 24, 2010. The closing date for comments from members of the public and TAC members was March 31, 2010.

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

No public comments were received.

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

**Manitoba Conservation – Sustainable Resource and Policy Management Management Branch**

No concerns.

**Manitoba Conservation - Parks and Natural Areas Branch**

No comments.

**Manitoba Conservation – Environmental Services Branch**

No comments.

**Manitoba Water Stewardship – Planning and Coordination Branch**

- The Water Rights Act indicates that no person shall control water or construct, establish or maintain any “water control works” unless he or she holds a valid licence to do so. “Water control works” are defined as any dyke, dam, surface or subsurface drain, drainage, improved natural waterway, canal, tunnel, bridge, culvert borehole or contrivance for carrying or conducting water, that temporarily or permanently alters or may alter the flow or level of water, including but not limited to water in a water body, by any means, including drainage, OR changes or may change the location or direction of flow of water, including but not limited to water in a water body, by any means, including drainage. If a proposal advocates any of the aforementioned activities, an application for a Water Rights Licence to Construct Water Control Works is required. Application forms are available from any office of Manitoba Water Stewardship.
- The proponent needs to be informed that if the proposal in question advocates any construction activities, erosion and sediment control measures should be implemented until all of the sites have stabilized.

Disposition:

These comments are not applicable to this project, as no water control works are involved and erosion and sediment control is not an issue at the water treatment plant site.

**Historic Resources Branch**

No concerns. If at any time however, significant heritage resources are recorded in association with these lands during development, the Historic Resources Branch may require that an acceptable heritage resource management strategy be implemented by the developer to mitigate the affects of development on the heritage resources.

**Mines Branch**

No concerns.

**Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation, Highway Planning and Design Branch**

No concerns.

**Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency**

The project information that was provided by Manitoba Conservation has been reviewed by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) and the following federal departments: The Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Health Canada and Environment Canada. I am enclosing copies of the relevant responses for your file. Based on the responses to the survey the application of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (the Act) by a federal authority will not be required for this project.

Health Canada (HC) has provided a letter stating areas of expertise it has in areas related to human health. HC can provide its expertise for your review if a written request for specific information is submitted. Please see the attached copy of the letter from HC.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

No additional information was required to address comments on the Proposal.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

No requests were received for a public hearing. Accordingly, a public hearing is not recommended.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Development be licensed under The Environment Act subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached Draft Environment Act Licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be assigned to the Western Region.

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