SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: MR. JAMES B. McKERCHAR

PROPOSAL NAME: PARRISH & HEIMBECKER LIMITED

CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING -

CROP PROTECTION WAREHOUSE GRAIN ELEVATOR/FEED MILL

CLIENT FILE NO.: 4953.00

OVERVIEW:

On May 26, 2003, Manitoba Conservation received a Proposal dated May 26, 2003, to renovate and operate a crop protection products warehouse, an existing grain elevator, feed mill and distribution facilities located on the NW¼ 17-11-4 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Springfield. The proponent intends to renovate an approximately 60' x 40' existing warehouse located at their current elevator site in the Rural Municipality of Springfield to store crop protection chemicals meeting all the Agrichemical Warehousing Standards. The site also contains an office building, scale house, workhouse and track shed and grain elevator. The normal hours of operation will be from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday increasing to 7:00 am to 9:00 pm during the peak April 15 - July 15 period.

No public concern was received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Winnipeg Free Press, published on Saturday June 14, 2003. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the Centennial Public Library, Manitoba Eco-Network, and the Conservation Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on June 11, 2003, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on July 11, 2003.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Historic Resources Branch</u> has reviewed the proposal and have no concerns with regard to this project's potential to impact heritage resources.

<u>Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency</u> state that based on their staff survey, application of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* with respect to this proposal is not required.

<u>RM of Springfield</u> request that the applicant supply a list of the type and quantities of chemicals to be held in storage and the specific location within the warehouse for their municipal Public Safety Officer.

<u>Disposition:</u>
The request has been provided to the proponent.

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<u>Sustainable Resource Management</u> requested further information regarding building characteristics, flooring materials, fire/security protection, loading areas, external secondary containment, site drainage and well protection.

Disposition:

The proponent supplied further information as requested. The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

<u>Transportation & Government Services</u> has reviewed this proposal and has no concerns.

Manitoba Agriculture & Food have identified no concerns.

<u>Water Quality Management</u> has reviewed the proposal and has no concerns with surface water quality.

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 1, 2, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21.

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

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