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Ms. Siobhan Burland-Ross Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch Manitoba Conservation Suite 160 – 123 Main Street Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 1A5

Dear Ms. Burland-Ross:

RE: NOVEMBER 2010 MONITORING REPORTS FOR THE WEST END WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CENTRE LICENCE NO. 2669 E RR, THE NORTH END WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CENTRE LICENCE NO. 2684 RRR AND THE SOUTH END WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CENTRE LICENCE NO. 2716 R

Attached please find the November 2010 Monitoring Reports for Licence No. 2669 E RR issued for the City of Winnipeg West End Water Pollution Control Centre (WEWPCC), Licence No. 2684 RRR issued for the City of Winnipeg North End Water Pollution Control Centre (NEWPCC) and Licence No. 2716 R issued for the City of Winnipeg South End Water Pollution Control Centre (SEWPCC).

Please note the following respecting the report for Licence #2669 E RR:

- We are pleased to report that the ammonia results have met the limit set in the licence. The
  total nitrogen thirty-day rolling average met the limit set in the licence in November. The total
  phosphorus thirty-day rolling average met the limit set in the licence for the last 18 days of
  November. We have had one final clarifier out of service for required warranty repairs which
  has contributed to the higher than expected results.
- 2. There was no TSS result on November 13 due to a sample preparation error. The TSS results met the limit set in the licence in November.
- 3. The cBOD5 results met the limit set in the licence in November.
- 4. We are pleased to report that during the month of November the fecal coliform and E. coli results met the limits set in the licence.

Please note the following respecting the report for Licence #2684 RRR:

- 1. The TSS results for November met the limit set in the licence.
- 2. The BOD5 results for November met the limit set in the licence.
- 3. We are pleased to report that during the month of November the fecal coliform and E. coli results met the limits set in the licence.

Please note the following respecting the report for Licence #2716 R:

- 1. On November 9, there was no 24 composite effluent sample due an accidental shut off of the sampling pump.
- 2. On November 3, there was no TSS result due to a sample preparation error. The TSS results for November met the limit set in the licence.
- 3. The BOD5 results were in excess of the 30 mg/L limit in the licence every day in November except on November 29 and 30. As indicated in earlier monitoring submissions, the cBOD5 and TOC results have been consistently low, and through testing we have shown that these high results may also be due to nitrification occurring. The BOD5 average result for November did not meet the limit set in the licence
- 4. We are pleased to report that during the month of November the fecal coliform and E. coli results met the limits set in the licence.

As mentioned in previous submissions, the City has requested that the Province change the present "daily not to exceed" BOD5 and TSS limits in the licences to monthly or running 30 day average limits. This request is under consideration by Manitoba Conservation.

The city has also requested that the Province eliminate the BOD5 test. This test is not a valid test procedure for final effluent and should not be used for compliance assessment purposes. It is important to recognize that under certain conditions, the City of Winnipeg's wastewater treatment plants experience nitrifying activity. Under such conditions the BOD5 will continue to exceed the limits from time to time. The city has requested that the BOD5 test be replaced with the carbonaceous BOD5 test.

Please let me know of any concerns or questions respecting this submission. I may be reached at the below address, by telephone at 986-4807 or by email at <a href="mailto:kkjartanson@winnipeg.ca">kkjartanson@winnipeg.ca</a>.

Thanks for your ongoing cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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