Information Session for Wastewater Haulers

#### The Future of Hauled Wastewater

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Water and Waste Department

Why we are here today

- Share our progress on a plan to manage hauled wastewater for the next 20 years
- Invite your comments on the recommendation





- Background
- Purpose of the study
- Status
- Options
- Next steps
- Summary



#### Background

- Three hauled wastewater facilities
- Hauled wastewater enters the plants and is treated along with wastewater from the sewer system



New licensing requirements for our wastewater treatment plants

- New licences issued by Manitoba Conservation require new treatment processes to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus in the treated wastewater
  - WEWPCC by 2007
  - SEWPCC by 2012
  - NEWPCC by 2014



## How the licensing requirements affect hauled wastewater

- Hauled wastewater contains:
  - high concentrations of nitrogen and phosphorus
  - higher than average biochemical oxygen demand and total suspended solids
  - many compounds that may be harmful for new process
- These characteristics could "shock" the nutrient removal system
- We need to account for this in the new treatment processes



#### Status

- 1) Studied wastewater hauled to our 3 disposal facilities
  - volume
  - type (characteristics)
  - where it comes from
  - where it is disposed



#### Status (cont'd)

- 2) Studied hauled wastewater practices in Western Canada
- 3) Developed a list of options for handling hauled wastewater
- A) Narrowed the list to the two most cost effective options (both for the haulers and the City)



#### **Studied Hauled Wastewater**

- Reviewed historical data (1999 2004)
- Reviewed the tracking system database that took effect 2005
- Conducted a sampling program in October 2006



### Hauled Wastewater Practices in Western Canada

- Disposal facilities at wastewater treatment plants is the most common method
- Most municipalities use a tracking system
- Most cities monitor disposal facilities to prevent the treatment processes from being harmed



## Developed a List of Options for Managing Hauled Wastewater

- Identified many options
- Narrowed the list to two of the most cost effective options based on:
  - impact on operations
  - impact on hauler
  - cost to build and operate
  - transportation, noise, and odour



#### Top Two Options

- 1) Recommended Option
  - upgrade disposal locations at the NE and SE plants
- 2) Alternate Option
  - upgrade NE disposal location and shut down SE disposal location



#### **Recommended Option**

- Upgrade NE and SE disposal locations
  - ✓ build a new second receiving point at NE
  - ✓ build a new access road next to existing road at NE
  - ✓ continue with one receiving point at SE



#### Alternate Option

- Upgrade NE disposal location and shut down SE disposal location
  - ✓ build two new receiving points
  - ✓ build new access road to accommodate 3 receiving points



### **Upgrades for Both Options**

- Both options would have the following upgrades:
  - ✓ automated access and tracking system
  - ✓ flow measurement and sampling capabilities
  - ✓ new containment tank
  - ✓ enhanced security features



### Estimated Costs to Build and Operate

Option	Capital Cost	Annual Operating Cost
Upgrade NE and SE disposal locations	\$2.7 million	\$35,000
Upgrade NE disposal location & shut down SE	\$2.35 million	\$31,500



# Effect on Disposal Rate (per kilolitre)

Option	Current Rate (as of July 1)	Rate Increase	Total Disposal Rate
Upgrade NE and SE disposal locations	\$2.51	\$2.22	\$4.73
Upgrade NE disposal location & shut down SE	\$2.51	\$2.04	\$4.55



## **Comparison of Advantages**

Option	Advantage
Upgrade NE and SE disposal locations	- Continue to operate two disposal locations
Upgrade NE disposal location & shut down SE	<ul> <li>Reduce risks to treatment processes at the South End plant</li> <li>Lower operating costs</li> <li>Lower capital cost</li> <li>Lower disposal cost for haulers</li> </ul>



## **Comparison of Disadvantages**

Option	Disadvantage
Upgrade NE and SE disposal locations	<ul> <li>Higher capital and operating costs</li> <li>Higher disposal cost for haulers</li> <li>Operate and maintain two disposal locations</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Potential overload to treatment processes at the SE plant</li> </ul>
Upgrade NE disposal location & shut down SE	<ul> <li>Operate only one disposal location</li> <li>Increased hauling time and distance for some haulers</li> </ul>



Implementation Plan

 Subject to funding approval by City Council, upgrades could begin in 2008 and be complete by late 2009 or early 2010



#### July 13, 2007

#### Fall 2007

#### **Next Steps**

- Receive your comments on the options
- Submit a report with our recommendation to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works

We will let you know when the report goes forward. You can register as a delegation to appear at the committee meeting.



### Summary

- Our priority is to:
  - ✓ do everything we can to meet the new licence requirements
  - ✓ maintain a high level of service
- We will consider and include your comments when preparing our report.



## **Questions?**

