

Conservation and Water Stewardship

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January 21, 2013

Steve McCabe, Facility Manager MidCanada Environmental Services Ltd. 1090 Kenaston Blvd. Winnipeg MB R3P 0R7

Dear Mr. McCabe:

Enclosed is Environment Act Licence No. 3014 R dated January 21, 2013 to MidCanada Environmental Services Ltd. for the construction and continuing operation of the Development being a soils treatment facility located at the property described as part of Legal Sub-Division 4 of Section 32, Township 8, Range 4 EPM, in the Rural Municipality of Ritchot, Manitoba in accordance with the proposal filed under *The Environment Act* on December 22, 2009 and the additional information received on May 16, 2011 and on September 26, 2012.

In addition to the enclosed Licence requirements, please be informed that all other applicable federal, provincial and municipal regulations and by-laws must be complied with. A Notice of Alteration must be filed with the Director for approval prior to any alteration to the Development as licensed.

For further information on the administration and application of the Licence, please feel free to contact Donna Smiley, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement at 204-945-702.

Pursuant to Section 27 of *The Environment Act*, this licensing decision may be appealed by any person who is affected by the issuance of this Licence to the Minister of Conservation and Water Stewardship within 30 days of the date of the Licence.

Yours truly,

Tracey Braun, M.Sc.

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Director

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 Don Labossiere, Director, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement David Ediger, P.Eng., D. Ediger Consulting Services (Via email) Public Registries

NOTE: Confirmation of Receipt of this Licence No. 3014 R (by the Licencee only) is required by the Director of Environmental Approvals Branch. Please acknowledge receipt by signing in the space provided below and faxing a copy (letter only) to the Department by February 4, 2013.

On behalf of MidCanada Environmental Services Ltd.

Date



Licence No. / Licence no

3014 R

Issue Date / Date de délivrance

July 30, 2012

Revised

January 21, 2013

In accordance with The Environment Act (C.C.S.M. c. E125) / Conformément à la Loi sur l'environnement (C.P.L.M. c. E125)

Pursuant to Section 10(1) / Conformément au Paragraphe 10(1)

THIS LICENCE IS ISSUED TO: / CETTE LICENCE EST DONNÉE À:

MIDCANADA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.; "the Licencee"

for the construction and continuing operation of the Development being a soils treatment facility located at the property described as part of Legal Sub-Division 4 of Section 32, Township 8, Range 4 EPM, in the Rural Municipality of Ritchot, Manitoba in accordance with the proposal filed under *The Environment Act* on December 22, 2009 and the additional information received on May 16, 2011 and on September 26, 2012 and subject to the following specifications, limits, terms, and conditions:

DEFINITIONS

In this Licence,

"accredited laboratory" means an analytical facility accredited by the Standard Council of Canada (SCC), or accredited by another accrediting agency recognized by Manitoba Conservation to be equivalent to the SCC, or be able to demonstrate, upon request, that it has the quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures in place equivalent to accreditation based on the International Standard ISO/IEC 17025, or otherwise approved by the Director;

"affected area" means a geographical area, excluding the property of the Development;

[&]quot;approved" means approved in writing;

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"BTEX" means the following components of gasoline and other specific petroleum products:

B = Benzene:

T = Toluene:

E = Ethylbenzene; and

X = Xylene;

"Director" means an employee so designated pursuant to The Environment Act;

"Environment Officer" means an employee so designated pursuant to The Environment Act;

"noise nuisance" means a continuous or repeated noise in an affected area, which is offensive, obnoxious, troublesome, annoying, unpleasant, or disagreeable to a person:

- a) residing in an affected area;
- b) working in an affected area; or
- c) present at a location in an affected area which is normally open to the members of the public;

if the noise

- d) is the subject of at least 5 written complaints, received by the Director within a 90 day period and in a form satisfactory to the Director, from 5 different persons falling within clauses a), b), or c), who do not live in the same household; or
- e) is the subject of at least one written complaint, received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director, from a person falling within clauses a), b), or c), and the Director is of the opinion that if the noise had occurred in a more densely populated area there would have been at least 5 written complaints received within a 90 day period from 5 different persons who do not live in the same household;

"odour nuisance" means a continuous or repeated odour, smell or aroma, in an affected area, which is offensive, obnoxious, troublesome, annoying, unpleasant, or disagreeable to a person:

- a) residing in an affected area;
- b) working in an affected area; or
- c) present at a location in an affected area which is normally open to the members of the public;

if the odour, smell or aroma

- d) is the subject of at least 5 written complaints, received by the Director within a 90 day period and in a form satisfactory to the Director, from 5 different persons falling within clauses a), b), or c), who do not live in the same household; or
- e) is the subject of at least one written complaint, received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director, from a person falling within clauses a), b), or c), and the Director is of the opinion that if the odour, smell or aroma had occurred in a more densely populated area there would have been at least 5 written complaints received within a 90 day period from 5 different persons who do not live in the same household;

[&]quot;operator" means the company or person who is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance and operation of the Development;

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"PAH" means polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon;

"particulate matter" means any finely divided liquid or solid matter other than water droplets;

"particulate residue" means that part or portion of an atmospheric emission which is deposited onto a surface; and

"Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" means the most recent edition of Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater published jointly by the American Public Health Association, the American Waterworks Association and the Water Environment Federation.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The Licencee shall maintain a high standard of equipment maintenance and good housekeeping and operational practices with respect to the Development, at all times.
- 2. The Licencee shall, unless otherwise specified by this Licence, retain all records during the full life of operation of the facility, and after closure, for such period of time as may be specified by the Director. Records may be transferred from their original form to other accepted forms for information storage.
- 3. The Licencee shall submit all information required to be provided to the Director under this Licence, in writing, in such form (including number of copies), and of such content as may be required by the Director, and each submission shall be clearly labelled with the Licence Number and Client File Number associated with this Licence. Each report shall be provided in hard copy (paper) and in electronic copy.
- 4. The Licencee shall obtain approval in writing from the Director for any proposed alteration to the Development before proceeding with the alteration.
- 5. The Licencee shall, in addition to any of the following specifications, limits, terms and conditions specified in this Licence, upon the request of the Director:
 - a) sample, monitor, analyze or investigate specific areas of concern regarding any seepage and discharge rates and for such duration and frequencies as may be specified;
 - b) determine the environmental impact associated with the release of any pollutant from the Development; or
 - c) provide the Director within such time as may be specified, with such reports, drawings, specifications, analytical data, flow rate measurements, corrective actions and such other information as may from time to time be requested.
- 6. The Licencee shall, unless otherwise specified in this Licence:
 - a) carry out all preservations and analyses on liquid samples in accordance with the methods prescribed in "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and

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Wastewater" or in accordance with an equivalent analytical methodology approved by the Director;

- b) certify that all analytical determinations are undertaken by an accredited laboratory; and
- c) report the results to the Director, in writing or in a format acceptable to the Director, within 60 days of the samples being taken, or within another time frame as specified by the Director.
- 7. The Licencee shall locate fuel storage and equipment servicing areas established for the construction and operation of the Development a minimum distance of 100 metres from any body of water, and shall comply with the requirements of Manitoba Regulation 188/2001 respecting Storage and Handling of Petroleum Products and Allied Products or any future amendments thereof.

SPECIFICATIONS, LIMITS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

General

- 8. The Licencee shall only accept for treatment at the Development, unless otherwise approved by the Director, soils in accordance with the following acceptance criteria:
 - a) Soil contaminated with Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene or Xylenes up to 30,000 mg/kg for each constituent;
 - b) Soil contaminated with Canada Wide Standard for Petroleum Hydrocarbons Fraction 1, 2, 3 or 4 up to 30,000 mg/kg for each Fraction; and
 - c) Soil contaminated with metals at any concentration subject to capability to treat to achieve leachate extraction criteria.
- 9. The Licencee shall treat soil to the following cleanup criteria:
 - a) Guideline: Criteria for Acceptance of Contaminated Soil at Licenced Waste Disposal Grounds, Guideline 2002-02E, May 2002 or as amended from time to time; and
 - b) MR 282/87 Classification Criteria for Products, Substances and Organisms Regulation; or
 - c) as approved by the Director.
- 10. The Licencee shall not emit particulate matter from the Development such that particulate matter:
 - a) exhibits a visible plume with an opacity of greater than 5 percent at any point beyond the property line of the Development; or
 - b) results in the deposition of visible particulate residue at any time beyond the property line of the Development.
- 11. The Licencee shall not cause or permit a noise nuisance to be created as a result of the construction, operation, or alteration of the Development, and shall take such steps as the Director may require to eliminate or mitigate a noise nuisance.

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- 12. The Licencee shall not cause or permit an odour nuisance to be created as a result of the operation of the Development, and shall take such steps as the Director may require to eliminate or mitigate an odour nuisance.
- 13. The Licencee shall prevent, by means of dyking, or other method(s) approved by the Director, the migration of surface water onto or off of the Development. Any surface waters retained at the Development shall be collected and analyzed for the following parameters, or others as approved by the Director, prior to discharge:
 - a) BTEX;
 - b) naphthalene;
 - c) benzo(a)pyrene;
 - d) petroleum hydrocarbons: and
 - e) total metals.
- 14. The Licencee shall only discharge water from the Development after obtaining approval from the Director for the discharge.

Construction

- 15. The Licencee shall upgrade the cell base as existing soil piles are removed.
- 16. The Licencee shall, prior to upgrading the cell base, submit five paper copies and one electronic copy of final engineering design plans, sealed by an engineer(s) registered with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of Manitoba, to the Director for approval. The plans will show the engineering details of each new cell base.
- 17. The Licencee shall construct the cell base in accordance with the design plans approved by the Director pursuant to Clause 16 of this Licence.
- 18. The Licencee shall construct and maintain the cell base with a continuous clay liner under all interior surfaces of the cell in accordance with the following specifications:
 - a) the clay liner is recompacted to a minimum thickness of 0.5 metre for the side slopes and for the base; and
 - b) the hydraulic conductivity of the clay liner is 1×10^{-7} cm/second or less.
- 19. The Licencee shall arrange with the assigned Environment Officer a mutually acceptable time and date for any required soil sampling between the 15th day of May and the 15th day of October of any year, unless otherwise approved by the Environment Officer.
- 20. The Licencee shall take and test undisturbed soil samples, in accordance with Schedule "A" attached to this Licence, from the compacted clay used to construct the cell base.
- 21. The number and location of samples and test methods will be specified by the assigned Environment Officer.

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- 22. The Licencee shall, prior to operation of the area tested, receive the approval of the Environment Officer for the results of the tests carried out pursuant to Clause 20 of this Licence.
- 23. The Licencee shall:
 - a) prepare "record drawings" for the Development and shall label the drawings "record drawings"; and
 - b) provide to the Director, 30 days after completion of construction, two paper copies and one electronic copy of "record drawings" of the soils recycling facility and all related facilities on the site of the Development.

Operation

- 24. The Licencee shall submit to the Director for approval, within 30 days after the issuance of this Licence, an operations manual for the Development. The operations manual shall address, but not be limited to the following:
 - a) soil remediation procedures;
 - b) handling and treatment procedures;
 - c) inspection and maintenance;
 - d) soil receiving and placement;
 - e) surface water management; and
 - f) monitoring and reporting.
- 25. The Licencee shall operate the soil remediation facility in accordance with the operations manual approved pursuant to Clause 24 of this Licence.

Monitoring and Reporting

- 26. The Licencee shall submit to the Director for approval, within 30 days after the issuance of this Licence, an updated monitoring program for the Development. The monitoring program shall address, but not be limited to the following:
 - a) background information on groundwater quality prior to operation of the Development;
 - b) ongoing monitoring during Development operation; and
 - c) the frequency of monitoring.
- 27. The Licencee shall undertake the sampling and analysis of the background water quality for groundwater in accordance with the plan approved pursuant to Clause 26, of this Licence. Monitoring shall include the chemical and microbiological parameters listed in Table 1 of this Licence.
- 28. The Licencee shall compare the analytical results obtained for the sampling carried out pursuant to Clause 26 with the levels that were determined in the wells prior to the operation of the Development.

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- 29. The Licencee shall develop a contingency plan to be implemented in the event that a monitoring program identifies any pollutant in surface or ground water, as a result of the operation of the Development, in excess of background levels. The plan shall be submitted to the Director for approval within 60 days of the date of this Licence.
- 30. Where the Licencee fails to undertake the monitoring program approved pursuant to Clause 26, of this Licence, the Director may cause such monitoring to be undertaken and recover the cost of such monitoring from the Licencee.
- 31. The Licencee shall inform the assigned Environment Officer whenever an odour complaint is received and provide to the Environment Officer a report on the incident, including information on what action was taken to resolve the concerns.
- 32. The Licencee shall inform the assigned Environment Officer whenever a noise complaint is received and provide to the Environment Officer a report on the incident, including information on what action was taken to resolve the concerns.
- 33. The Licencee shall report to the assigned Environment Officer all incidents requiring contingency plan action regarding groundwater or surface water pollution within seven (7) days from the occurrence of such incidents, including the nature of the incident, substances involved, the area affected, action taken and follow up action proposed to be taken.
- 34. The Licencee shall keep for inspection, records of all monitoring at the Development, at the operator's office.
- 35. The Licencee shall maintain, at the operator's office, records of all soils received at the soil remediation facility. These records shall contain, but not be limited to the following:
 - a) the date soils were received at the soil remediation facility;
 - b) the original location of the soils;
 - c) the volume received, either estimated or actual;
 - d) preliminary analyses of the soils taken at the remediation site (for example head space results or field composite results);
 - e) final confirmatory results of laboratory analyses of the soils taken at the Development; and
 - f) the location within the soil remediation facility of the soil for treatment.
- 36. The Licencee shall maintain, at the operator's office, records of all soils removed from the Development. These records shall contain, but not be limited to the following:
 - a) the date the soils were removed;
 - b) the volume of soils removed;
 - c) the final end use destination of the soils removed;
 - d) the results of analyses to determine the concentrations of the pollutants of concern, as identified by the analyses performed as required by Clause 35 d) and 35 e) of this Licence; and
 - e) any additional information as requested by the Director.

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- 37. The Licencee shall have available for inspection by an Environment Officer upon request the records referred to in Clauses 35 and 36 of this Licence and shall provide annually to the Director a report summarizing the activities at the soil remediation facility in the annual report pursuant to Clause 40 of this Licence.
- 38. The Licencee shall operate the Development such that ground level concentrations of any of the following pollutants, at the property line, are not in excess of the following limits as determined from any ambient air sample or samples collected and analyzed, upon the request of the Director, in accordance with procedures and methods satisfactory to the Director:

Air Pollutant	Averaging Period	Ground Level Concentration Limits
Benzene	24 hour average	150 micrograms per cubic metre of air
Toluene	24 hour average	2000 micrograms per cubic metre of air
Ethylbenzene	24 hour average	4000 micrograms per cubic metre of air
Xylenes	24 hour average	2300 micrograms per cubic metre of air

- 39. The Licencee shall, at such times, for such duration, for such pollutants and at such locations as may be requested by the Director:
 - arrange to have a qualified person(s) undertake source tests and/or special studies to determine the ambient air quality beyond the property line of the Development, in a manner satisfactory to the Director, and including an interpretation of the results relative to the limits of Clause 38 of this Licence; and
 - b) submit a report on the test results and all related data, including the interpretation, to the Director within 90 days after completion of the test or study.

Annual Report

- 40. The Licencee shall, unless otherwise approved by the Director, on or before the 15th day of April of each year, submit to the Director an annual report with respect to all activities at the Development conducted pursuant to this Licence during the previous calendar year. The format of the report shall be approved by the Director and contain, as a minimum, the following information:
 - a) the amount and type of petroleum contaminated soils treated at the soil remediation facility and a summary of the results of after treatment analyses of petroleum contaminated soils and the final disposition of the treated soils;
 - b) a summary of all citizen complaints concerning dust, noise and odour from the Development together with a report on each incident that includes information on what actions were taken to resolve the concerns;
 - c) summary reports and details of all incidents that required implementation of the contingency plan;
 - d) with respect to the groundwater well monitoring programs:

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- i) the results for the monitoring wells of the analyses of the chemical and microbiological parameters listed in Table 1 of this Licence;
- ii) an assessment of the results of the groundwater analyses;
- iii) the date(s), exact place, and time(s) of sampling or measurements;
- iv) the date(s) analyses were performed;
- v) the individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- vi) documentation to verify the appropriate certification of the laboratory used to perform the analyses; and
- vii) quality assurance and quality control data.

Financial Assurance/Insurance

- 41. The Licencee shall within 60 days of the date of this Licence, provide to the Director confirmation of the following financial insurance coverage:
 - Environmental Impairment Liability insurance providing coverage subject to a minimum limit of \$1.0 million per occurrence or claim, including coverage for gradual, and sudden and accidental pollution. Coverage to include on-site and off-site clean up costs, and be placed with insurers satisfactory to the Province of Manitoba. The Province of Manitoba shall be added as an Additional Insured on the policy. The policy shall contain a clause stating that the Insurer will give Manitoba 60 days prior written notice in case of significant reduction in coverage or policy cancellation.
- 42. The Licencee shall, within 60 days of the date of this Licence, post a permit bond issued by a surety company licenced to carry on business in Manitoba, irrevocable letter of credit, or other security with the Manitoba Department of Conservation and Water Stewardship, to the satisfaction of the Director, in the amount of \$200,000. This security and renewals thereof shall remain in place for the duration of the Development. The Director may order forfeiture of the security, either in whole or in part, by giving written notice to that effect to the Licencee, upon the Director being satisfied that the Licencee is in breach of any term of this Licence, or for reimbursement of any costs or expenses incurred by the Province in rectifying environmental damage caused or contributed to by the Development.

Contingency/Emergency Response Plans

- 43. The Licencee shall submit, within 60 days of the date of issuance of this Licence, for the approval of the Director, a contingency plan relating to emergency planning and response at the Development. The plan shall be developed and maintained in accordance with the Industrial Emergency Response Planning Guide (MIAC September, 1996) or other equivalent standard approved by the Director.
- 44. The Licencee shall keep for inspection, records of the details of all incidents requiring the implementation of the contingency action plan of the Development, at the Development site office.

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Closure and Post Closure

- 45. The Licencee shall submit, within six months of the date of issuance of this Licence, for the approval of the Director, a preliminary Closure and Post Closure Plan for the Development. The plan shall address the closure of the existing soil recycling facility and shall include, but not be limited to, information with respect to the following:
 - a) soil and ground water analyses for petroleum products or by-products, including diesel fuel:
 - b) removal of all ancillary equipment associated with the Development; and
 - c) restoration of the site to the satisfaction of the Director.
- 46. The Licencee shall submit, for the approval of the Director, not less than one year prior to closure of the Development, an updated Closure and Post Closure Plan for the Development.
- 47. The Licencee shall implement and maintain the approved Closure and Post Closure Plan for the Development as approved by the Director.

REVIEW AND REVOCATION

- A. This Licence replaces Licence No. 3014 which is hereby rescinced.
- B. If, in the opinion of the Director, the Licencee has exceeded or is exceeding or has failed or is failing to meet the specifications, limits, terms, or conditions set out in this Licence, the Director may, temporarily or permanently, revoke this Licence.
- C. If, in the opinion of the Director, new evidence warrants a change in the specifications, limits, terms or conditions of this Licence, the Director may require the filing of a new proposal pursuant to Section 10 of *The Environment Act*.

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Director

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TABLE 1 TO ENVIRONMENT ACT LICENCE NO. 3014 R

COMPREHENSIVE WATER QUALITY CHEMICAL AND MICROBIOLOGICAL PARAMETERS

Parameter	Notes
Alkalinity-bicarbonate	Dissolved
Alkalinity-carbonate	Dissolved
Alkalinity-hydroxide	Dissolved
Alkalinity-total	Dissolved
Hardness- as CaCO ₃	Dissolved
pH-units	
Specific Conductivity	Dissolved
Turbidity-NTU	
Residue-filterable	
Residue-non filterable	
Residue-total	
Chloride	Dissolved
Sulphate	Dissolved
Cyanide-total	Dissolved
Ammonia	Dissolved
Nitrate-Nitrite-Nitrogen	Dissolved
Total Kjeldhal Nitrogen	
Phosphorus	Dissolved
Arsenic	Dissolved
Barium	Dissolved
Beryllium	Dissolved
Cadmium	Dissolved
Calcium	Dissolved
Chromium	Dissolved
Copper	Dissolved
Iron	Dissolved
Lead	Dissolved

TABLE 1 (cont'd.) TO ENVIRONMENT ACT LICENCE NO. 3014 R

COMPREHENSIVE WATER QUALITY CHEMICAL AND MICROBIOLOGICAL PARAMETERS

Parameter	Notes	
Magnesium	Dissolved	
Manganese	Dissolved	
Mercury	Extractable	
Nickel	Dissolved	
Potassium	Dissolved	
Selenium	Dissolved	
Silver	Dissolved	
Sodium	Dissolved	
Zinc	Dissolved	
Naphthalene		
Benzo a pyrene		
Anthracene		
CCME Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fraction 1		
CCME Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fraction 2		
CCME Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fraction 3		
CCME Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fraction 4		
Benzene		
Ethylbenzene		
Toluene		
Xylene		
Vinyl Chloride		
Diazinon		
2, 4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2, 4-D)		
Coliforms	Fecal & Total	

SCHEDULE "A" TO ENVIRONMENT ACT LICENCE NO. 3014 R

Soil Sampling:

- 1. The Licencee shall provide a drilling rig, acceptable to the designated Environment Officer, to extract soil samples from the specified liner of the structure. This includes all liners constructed with clay. The drill rig shall have the capacity to drill to the maximum depth of the clay liner plus an additional 2 metres. The drill rig shall be equipped with both standard and hollow stem augers. The minimum hole diameter shall be 5 inches.
- 2. For liners placed or found at the surface of the structure, the Licencee shall provide a machine, acceptable to the designated Environment Officer, capable of pressing a sampling tube into the liner in a straight line motion along the centre axis line of the sample tube and without sideways movement.
- 3. Soil samples shall be collected and shipped in accordance with ASTM Standard D 1587 (Standard Practice for Thin-Walled Tube Sampling of Soils), D 4220 (Standard Practice for Preserving and Transporting Soil Samples) and D 3550 (Standard Practice for Ring-Lines Barrel Sampling of Soils). Thin-walled tubes shall meet the stated requirements including length, inside clearance ratio and corrosion protection. An adequate venting area shall be provided through the sampling head.
- 4. At the time of sample collection, the designated Environment Officer shall advise the Licencee as to the soil testing method that must be used on each sample. The oedometer method may be used for a sample were the Environment Officer determines that the soil sample is taken from an undisturbed clay soil which has not been remoulded and which is homogeneous and unweathered. The triaxial test shall be used for all samples taken from disturbed and remoulded soils or from non homogeneous and weathered soils.
- 5. The Licencee shall provide a report on the collection of soil samples to the designated Environment Officer and to the laboratory technician which includes but is not limited to the following: a plot plan indicating sample location, depth or elevation of sample, length of advance of the sample tube length of soil sample contained in the tube after its advancement, the soil test method specified by the Environment Officer for each soil sample and all necessary instructions from the site engineer to the laboratory technician.
- 6. All drill and sample holes shall be sealed with bentonite pellets after the field drilling and sampling has been completed.

SCHEDULE "A" (cont'd) TO ENVIRONMENT ACT LICENCE NO. 3014 R

Soil Testing Methods:

1. Triaxial Test Method

- a) The soil samples shall be tested for hydraulic conductivity using ASTM D 5084 (Standard Test Method for Measurement of Hydraulic Conductivity of Saturated Porous Materials Using a Flexible Wall Permeameter).
- b) Soil specimens shall have a minimum diameter of 70 mm (2.75 inches) and a minimum height of 70 mm (2.75 inches). The soil specimens shall be selected from a section of the soil sample which contains the most porous material based on a visual inspection. The hydraulic gradient shall not exceed 30 during sample preparation and testing. Swelling of the soil specimen should be controlled to adjust for the amount of compaction measured during sample collection and extraction from the tube and the depth or elevation of the sample. The effective stress used during saturation or consolidation of the sample shall not exceed 40 kPa (5.7 psi) or the specific stress level that is expected in the field location were the sample was taken, whichever is greater.
- c) The complete laboratory report, as outlined in ASTM D 5084, shall be supplied for each soil sample collected in the field.

2. Oedometer Test Method

- a) The soil samples shall be tested for hydraulic conductivity using ASTM D 2435 (Standard Test Method for One-Dimensional Consolidation Properties of Soils).
- b) Soil specimens shall have a minimum diameter of 50 mm (2 inches) and a minimum height of 20 mm (0.8 inches). The soil specimens shall be selected from a section of the soil sample which contains the most porous material based on a visual inspection. The soil specimen shall be taken from an undisturbed soil sample. The soil specimen shall be completely saturated.
- c) The complete laboratory report, as outlined in ASTM D 2435, shall be supplied for each soil sample collected in the field.