

File No.: 3741.10

May 27, 2022

Matt Harrish
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Dear Matt Harrish:

Re: Environment Act Licence No. 2954 RRR – Clause 29

Thank you for your May 18, 2022, notice of proposed amendment to the ash disposal method under Clause 29 of Environment Act Licence No. 2954 RRR (the licence).

You propose a pilot study for the 2022 growing season to spread wood ash on a field with a pH level of 6.5 to 7.0 at an application rate of 3.0 to 4.0 tons per acre. New Era Ag Research will perform the field scale pilot study to determine if applying ash on soils with this pH level would benefit the crops in the study areas. The existing requirement specifies that wood ash be spread on fields with a soil pH level of 6.5, or below, at a maximum application rate of 9.0 tons per acre.

I am satisfied that the potential changes to the environmental effects resulting from this amendment would be insignificant. Therefore, I approve the implementation of this pilot study with the following conditions:

1. The licensee shall, prior to starting this pilot study, obtain approval from the landowners.
2. The licensee shall, upon completion of the pilot study, submit a report to the director describing the outcome of the research.

Should you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Eshetu Beshada, Senior Environmental Engineer, Environmental Approvals Branch at Eshetu.Beshada@gov.mb.ca or 204-250-1932.

For questions relating to the ongoing administration of the licence, please contact Kristy Forrestall, Acting Regional Supervisor, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch at Kristy.Forrestall@gov.mb.ca or 204-573-0518.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

James Capotosto
Director

- c. Kristal Harman, Yvonne Hawryliuk, Kristy Forrestall - Environmental Compliance and Enforcement
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