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From: Wiens, Jonathan (CWS) Sent: May-01-13 1:47 PM To: Webber, Randy (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review & comments - Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00 - Closing date: May 27, 2013

Wildlife Branch has no wildlife related concerns with Client File 5643.00.

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From:

Kelly, Jason (CWS)

Sent: To: May-21-13 8:32 AM Webber, Randy (CWS)

Subject:

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Parks and Natural Areas Branch has reviewed the proposal filed pursuant to the Environment Act for the Parks and Natural Areas Branch has reviewed the proposal filed pursuant to the Environment Act for the Request for review & comments - Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00 - Closing date: May 27, 2013. The Branch has no comments to offer as this does not impact any parks or ecological reserves

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From: Bridges, Sonja (CWS)
Sent: May-27-13 3:35 PM
To: Webber, Randy (CWS)
Cc: Smiley, Donna (CWS)

Subject: FW: Request for review & comments - Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00 - Closing date: May 27, 2013

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship has reviewed the Environment Act proposal prepared by Kelsen Agritech on behalf of Focus Agronomics and wishes to make the following comment:

• The proposal mentions installation of 1500 gallon holding tank for potable water but there is no mention in the proposal of a septic system for the office space. Please note that if it is the intent of the proponent to install a septic system at the subject site, it must be done in accordance with the *Onsite Wastewater Management System Regulation M.R.* 83/2003.

#### Regards,

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From: Kaita, Adara (CWS) on behalf of +WPG1212 - Conservation\_Circulars (CWS)

Sent: May-23-13 11:15 AM

To: Webber, Randy (CWS)

Cc: Campbell, Lyle (CWS)

Subject: EA Proposal - Focus Agronomics - Crop Protection Warehouse - File: 5643.00

Hi Randy,

The Sustainable Resource and Policy Management Branch and the Lands Branch have no concerns with the EA proposal.

#### Adara Kaita

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From:

Stibbard, James (CWS)

Sent: To: May-21-13 10:34 AM Webber, Randy (CWS)

Subject:

Re: 5643.00 Focus Agronomics Warehouse EAP

#### Mr. Webber,

I reviewed the above noted EAP for an agricultural products warehouse to be located in Oak Bluff. The EAP notes the warehouse will be supplied with domestic water from the Macdonald regional water system. The EAP does not specify whether water will supply only the office section of the building or will also be piped to the warehouse. If it is piped to the warehouse section of the complex, backflow prevention devices, as called for in *The Manitoba Plumbing Code*, should be installed to protect the public water system from potential contamination. Apart from this point, Office of Drinking Water has no other concerns with this EAP or the proposed development.

I trust this is satisfactory, but if you have any questions, please call.

Regards,

#### James Stibbard P. Eng.

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From: Matthews, Rob (CWS)
Sent: May-01-13 1:38 PM
To: Steele, Tania (CWS)
Cc: Thibert, Lorraine (CWS)

Subject: RE: Request for review & comments - Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00 - Closing date: May 27, 2013

No concerns.

From:

Roberts, Dan (CWS) May-02-13 9:40 AM

Sent: To:

Webber, Randy (CWS)

Subject:

Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00

Hi Randy,

The only concern we have on this proposal is that the building will be located adjacent to a waterway. This raises questions as to whether or not the structure will require drainage, or some other form of protection from flooding. If, drainage is required, then the proponent will need to apply for a *Licence to Construct Water Control Works*. Any inquiries in this regard may be directed to the assigned Water Resource Officer, Wayne Henderson, at: 204-461-2425.

Sincerely,

# Dan Roberts

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From: Janusz, Laureen R (CWS)
Sent: May-19-13 2:07 PM

To: Webber, Randy (CWS)

Cc: Klein, Geoff (CWS); Long, Jeff (CWS)

Subject: EAP 5643.00 Focus Agronomics Crop Protection Warehouse Oak Bluff due May 27, 2013

#### Hi Randy,

Fisheries Branch has reviewed this proposal filed by Kelsen Agritech Inc. on behalf of Focus Agronomics Ltd. for the operation of a crop protection products storage warehouse development located at NE ½ 29-09-01 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Macdonald, Manitoba. The development will consist of a 2,400 square foot (223 square metre) crop protection products warehouse and a 960 square foot (89 square metre) office (EAP advertisement summary). The warehouse will store and distribute herbicides, fungicides, insecticides, treated and untreated seed There is an existing ditch on the north side of the property and the area surrounding the warehouse will slope towards this ditch which will have a gated control culvert to contain any accumulations of water (natural or spill). There will be a 6" berm around the building to contain spills and between this primary containment and the secondary containment there is enough capacity to contain inventory and fire fighting water in the event of an emergency.

Given the information provided in the proposal as long as the standard clauses that address adherence to the AWSA, primary and secondary containment and testing accumulated water in the event of a spill prior to discharge are included in the licence fisheries concerns should be addressed.

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**RE:** Focus Agronomics

**Crop Protection Products Warehouse** 

Client File No 5643.00

Dear Ms. Braun:

MIT has reviewed proposal noted above and we do not have concerns with the development as proposed.

Thank you very much for providing us the opportunity to review the proposal.

Sincerely,

Ryan Coulter, M. Sc., P. Eng.

Manager of Environmental Services



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From: Buchan, Shelley (HEALTH)

Sent: May-03-13 9:18 AM To: Webber, Randy (CWS)

Subject: FW: Request for review & comments - Focus Agronomics - File: 5643.00 - Closing date: May 27, 2013

#### Hi Randy

I know that the restrictions in the licences for crop protection warehouses are comprehensive in regard to protection of health and the environment. I do not have any additional concerns.

Thanks and have a great weekend.

Shelley

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