

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Protection de la nature et des Parcs

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 6897-BL8L7D Issue Date: May 5, 2020

C. Smith Bus Lines Limited 2647 County Road 40 Quinte West, Ontario K0K 3M0

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Site Location: 2647 County Road 40

City of Quinte West

County of Hastings, Ontario

You have applied under section 20.2 of Part II.1 of the <u>Environmental Protection Act</u>, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19 (Environmental Protection Act) for approval of:

the establishment of a wastewater treatment system for the collection, transmission, treatment and disposal of wastewater generated from vehicle (bus) washing activities, having a design treatment capacity of 15 litres per minute (22 cubic metres per day), located at 2647 County Road 40, in the City of Quinte West, consisting of the following:

- existing trench system to convey the wastewater from bus washing activities;
- one (1) balancing tank converted from an existing 1,000 gal oil/water separator, discharging, via a pump with a rated capacity of 15 litres per minute, into a bag filter;
- one (1) 25 micrometer bag filter system and one (1) 5 micrometer bag filter system, operation in series, discharging into a water softener;
- one water softener, discharging into an organo-clay filter;
- one (1) organo-clay filter containing 6.5 cubic feet of organo-clay media, discharging to activated carbon filter:
- one (1) activated carbon filter, containing 6.5 cubic feet of carbon media, discharging to a Reverse Osmosis system;
- one (1) Reverse Osmosis (RO) unit, discharging effluent into an existing municipal ditch via a discharge

pipe;

- one (1) holding tank accepting backwash/reject wastewater from above mentioned softener, organo-clay filter, activated carbon filter, and RO unit; and
- including all piping, valves, instrumentation, control, and appurtenances essential for the proper operation of the aforementioned sewage Works.

All in accordance with the supporting documents set out in Schedule "A" attached to this Approval.

For the purpose of this environmental compliance approval, the following definitions apply:

- 1. "Approval" means this entire document and any schedules attached to it, and the application;
- 2. "Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.1 of the EPA;
- 3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the Peterborough District Office;
- 4. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
- 5. "Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and OWRA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;
- 6. "Owner" means C. Smith Bus Lines Limited, and includes its successors and assignees;
- 7. "OWRA" means the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended;
- 8. "Single Sample Concentration" means the concentration of a parameter in the effluent discharged on any day, as measured by a probe, analyzer or in a composite or grab sample, as required; and
- 9. "Works" means the sewage works described in the Owner's application, and this Approval.

You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Owner shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Works is notified of this Approval and the conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided by these conditions, the Owner shall design, build, install, operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the description given in this Approval, and the application for approval of the Works.
- 3. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document in the schedule referred to in this Approval and the conditions of this Approval, the Conditions in this Approval shall take precedence, and where there is a conflict between the documents in the schedule, the document bearing the most recent date shall prevail.
- 4. Where there is a conflict between the documents listed in the Schedule submitted documents, and the application, the application shall take precedence unless it is clear that the purpose of the document was to amend the application.
- 5. The Conditions of this Approval are severable. If any Condition of this Approval, or the application of any requirement of this Approval to any circumstance, is held invalid or unenforceable, the application of such condition to other circumstances and the remainder of this Approval shall not be affected thereby.

2. EXPIRY OF APPROVAL

1. This Approval will cease to apply to those parts of the Works which have not been constructed within five (5) years of the date of this Approval.

3. CHANGE OF OWNER

- 1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes within thirty (30) days of the change occurring:
 - a. change of Owner;
 - b. change of address of the Owner;
 - c. change of partners where the Owner is or at any time becomes a partnership, and a copy of the most recent declaration filed under the *Business Names Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.B17 shall be included in the notification to the District Manager; and
 - d. change of name of the corporation where the Owner is or at any time becomes a corporation, and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C39 shall be included in the notification to the District Manager.
- 2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, other than a change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify in writing the succeeding owner of the existence of this Approval, and a copy of such notice shall be forwarded to the District Manager and the Director.

3. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition will refer to this Approval's number.

4. EFFLUENT LIMITS

- 1. The Owner shall operate and maintain the Works such that compliance limits for the final effluent from the Reverse Osmosis (RO) unit wastewater discharge parameters listed in the Table 1 in **Schedule B** are met.
- 2. Notwithstanding any other conditions of this Approval, the Owner shall ensure that the effluent from the Works is essentially free of floating and settable solids and does not contain oil or any other substance in amounts sufficient to create a visible film or sheen or foam or discolouration on the receiving ditch and surface waters.

5. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

- 1. The Owner shall exercise due diligence in ensuring that, at all times, the Works and the related equipment and appurtenances used to achieve compliance with this Approval are properly operated and maintained. Proper operation and maintenance shall include effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, including training in all procedures and other requirements of this Approval and the OWRA and regulations, adequate laboratory facilities, process controls and alarms and the use of process chemicals and other substances used in the Works.
- 2. The Owner shall prepare an operations manual, prior to the Substantial Completion of the Works, that includes, but not necessarily limited to, the following information:
 - a. operating procedures for routine operation of the Works;
 - b. inspection programs, including frequency of inspection, for the Works and the methods or tests employed to detect when maintenance is necessary;
 - c. repair and maintenance programs, including the frequency of repair and maintenance for the Works;
 - d. procedures for the inspection and calibration of monitoring equipment;
 - e. a spill prevention control and countermeasures plan, consisting of contingency plans and procedures for dealing with equipment breakdowns, potential spills and any other abnormal situations, including notification of the District Manager. The contingency plan shall be prepared by a Professional Engineer to the satisfaction of the District Manager, and shall cover the entire operational life of the sewage Work; and
 - f. procedures for receiving, responding and recording public complaints, including recording any follow-up actions taken.

- 3. The Owner shall maintain the operations manual current and retain a copy at the location of the Works for the operational life of the Works. Upon request, the Owner shall make the manual available to Ministry staff.
- 4. The Owner shall have a valid written agreement with a hauler who is in possession of a Waste Management Systems Approval, for the treatment and disposal of the sludge generated from the Works, at all times during operation of the Works.
- 5. The Owner shall operate the Works so that there is no leakage, spill, discharge of raw sewage, and sewage from Partial Treatment to any receiving ditch or surface waters.
- 6. The Owner shall employ for the overall operation of the Works a person who possesses the level of training and experience sufficient to allow safe and environmentally sound operation of the Works.

6. MONITORING AND RECORDING

- 1. The Owner shall, upon commencement of operation of the Works, carry out a scheduled monitoring program of collecting samples at the required sampling points, at the frequency specified or higher, by means of the specified sample type and analyzed for each parameter listed in the tables under the monitoring program included in Table 2 in Schedule B and record all results, as follows:
 - a. all samples and measurements are to be taken at a time and in a location characteristic of the quality and quantity of the sewage stream over the time period being monitored.
 - b. definitions and preparation requirements for each sample type are included in document referenced in Paragraph 2.b.
- 2. The methods and protocols for sampling, analysis and recording shall conform, in order of precedence, to the methods and protocols specified in the following:
 - a. the Ministry's Procedure F-10-1, "Procedures for Sampling and Analysis Requirements for Municipal and Private Sewage Treatment Works (Liquid Waste Streams Only), as amended from time to time by more recently published editions;
 - b. the Ministry's publication "Protocol for the Sampling and Analysis of Industrial/Municipal Wastewater Version 2.0" (January 2016), PIBS 2724e02, as amended; and
 - c. the publication "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" (21st edition), as amended from time to time by more recently published editions
- 3. The sampling frequencies, parameters and locations specified in subsection (2) are minimum requirements which may, after twelve (12) months of monitoring in accordance with this Condition, be modified by the Director in writing from time to time.

4. The Owner shall employ measurement devices to accurately measure quantity of effluent from RO system, including but not limited to water/wastewater flow meters, event counters, running time clocks, or electronically controlled dosing, and shall record the daily volume of RO system effluent, prior to discharging into the existing municipal ditch.

7. REPORTING

- 1. One week prior to the start up of the operation of the Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start up date.
- 2. In addition to the obligations under Part X of the *Environmental Protection Act*, the Owner shall, within 10 working days of the occurrence of any reportable spill as defined in Ontario Regulation 675/98, loss of any product, by-product, intermediate product, oil, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance into the environment, submit a full written report of the occurrence to the District Manager describing the cause and discovery of the spill or loss, clean-up and recovery measures taken, preventative measures to be taken and schedule of implementation.
- 3. The Owner shall, upon request, make all manuals, plans, records, data, procedures and supporting documentation available to Ministry staff.
- 4. The Owner shall prepare, and submit upon request, a performance report on an annual basis, by April 30 each calendar year. The report shall contain, but shall not be limited to, the following information:
 - a. a summary and interpretation of all monitoring data and a comparison to the effluent limits outlined in Condition 4, including an overview of the success and adequacy of the Works;
 - b. a description of any operating problems encountered and corrective actions taken;
 - c. a summary of all maintenance carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus, mechanism or thing forming part of the Works;
 - d. a summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken in the reporting period;
 - e. a summary of the calibration and maintenance carried out on all effluent monitoring equipment;
 - f. a summary of flow data for the quantity of daily flow discharged from the sewage treatment system, interpretation of all flow data, and assessment on whether or not the design treatment capacity Works is capable of handling the maximum daily flow rates.
 - g. a summary of any complaints received during the reporting period and any steps taken to address the complaints;

- h. a tabulation of the volume of sludge and/or RO reject generated in the reporting period, an outline of anticipated volumes to be generated in the next reporting period and a summary of the locations to where the sludge was disposed of;
- i. a summary of all By-pass, spill or abnormal discharge events; and
- j. any other information the District Manager may require from time to time.

Schedule A

1.	Application for Environmental Compliance Approval dated August 16, 2019 and received on August 20,
	2019, submitted by Craig Smith, Owner, C. Smith Bus Lines Limited., for the proposed wastewater
	treatment and surface discharge system, including design brief, engineering drawings and specifications.

Schedule B

Table 1 - Effluent Limits

Effluent Parameter	Single Sample Concentration Limits (milligrams per litre unless otherwise indicated)
Column 1	Column 2
CBOD5	10.0
Total Phosphorus (TP)	0.2

Table 2 - Effluent Monitoring

Sample location	Final effluent from the Reverse Osmosis (RO) unit, prior to discharging into	
	the existing municipal ditch	
Sample Type	Grab	
Parameters	CBOD5, Total Phosphorus (TP), and hydrocarbons (petroleum hydrocarbons (PHC), polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAH), and volatile organic compounds	
	(VOC))	
Frequency	Frequency Monthly (once every month) for CBOD5 and TP	
	Quarterly (once every three month) for hydrocarbons (PHC, PAH and VOC)	

The reasons for the imposition of these terms and conditions are as follows:

- 1. Condition 1 is imposed to ensure that the Works are built and operated in the manner in which they were described for review and upon which approval was granted. This condition is also included to emphasize the precedence of Conditions in the Approval and the practice that the Approval is based on the most current document, if several conflicting documents are submitted for review. The condition also advises the Owners their responsibility to notify any person they authorized to carry out work pursuant to this Approval the existence of this Approval.
- 2. Condition 2 is included to ensure that the Works are constructed in a timely manner so that standards applicable at the time of Approval of the Works are still applicable at the time of construction, to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.
- 3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to the approved works and to ensure that subsequent owners of the Works are made aware of the Approval and continue to operate the Works in compliance with it.
- 4. Condition 4 is imposed to ensure that the effluent discharged from the Works to the receiver meets the Ministry's effluent quality requirements thus minimizing environmental impact on the receiver.
- 5. Condition 5 is included to require that the Works be properly operated and maintained such that the environment is protected.
- 6. Condition 6 is included to enable the Owner to evaluate and demonstrate the performance of the Works, on a continual basis, so that the Works are properly operated and maintained at a level which is consistent with the design objectives specified in the Approval.

7. Condition 7 is included to provide a performance record for future references, to ensure that the Ministry is made aware of problems as they arise, and to provide a compliance record for all the terms and conditions outlined in this Approval, so that the Ministry can work with the Owner in resolving any problems in a timely manner.

In accordance with Section 139 of the Environmental Protection Act, you may by written Notice served upon me, the Environmental Review Tribunal and in accordance with Section 47 of the Environmental Bill of Rights, 1993, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, within 15 days after receipt of this Notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the Environmental Protection Act provides that the Notice requiring the hearing shall state:

- a. The portions of the environmental compliance approval or each term or condition in the environmental compliance approval in respect of which the hearing is required, and;
- b. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

The Notice should also include:

- 1. The name of the appellant;
- 2. The address of the appellant;
- 3. The environmental compliance approval number;
- 4. The date of the environmental compliance approval;
- 5. The name of the Director, and;
- 6. The municipality or municipalities within which the project is to be engaged in.

And the Notice should be signed and dated by the appellant.

This Notice must be served upon:

The Secretary*
Environmental Review Tribunal
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1E5

The Minister of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2.13

<u>AND</u>

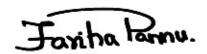
The Director appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

* Further information on the Environmental Review Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349, Fax: (416) 326-5370 or www.ert.gov.on.ca

This instrument is subject to Section 38 of the Environmental Bill of Rights, 1993, that allows residents of Ontario to seek leave to appeal the decision on this instrument. Residents of Ontario may seek leave to appeal within 15 days from the date this decision is placed on the Environmental Registry. By accessing the Environmental Registry at https://ero.ontario.ca/, you can determine when the leave to appeal period ends.

The above noted activity is approved under s.20.3 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act.

DATED AT TORONTO this 5th day of May, 2020



Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.
Director
appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the
Environmental Protection Act

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c: District Manager, MECP Peterborough District Office Ian Hutcheson, Pinchin Ltd.