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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL
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Pursuant to section 20.3 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, Revised Statutes of Ontario (R.S.O.) 1990, c. E. 19 and subject to all other applicable Acts or regulations this Environmental Compliance Approval is issued to:

EUREKA WEARMAX GRINDING INDUSTRIES INC.

745 WOODWARD AVENUE (AV)
HAMILTON ONTARIO
L8H 6P5

For the following site:

745 Woodward Avenue (AVE) , Hamilton, HAMILTON CITY, ONTARIO, CANADA, L8H 6P5

Upon issuance of the environmental compliance approval, I hereby revoke Approval No(s) 8909-7BQQS9, issued on February 29, 2008.

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

- four (4) exhausts, each discharging into the atmosphere at a maximum volumetric flowrate of 4.29 actual cubic meters per seconds through a stack, having an exit equivalent diameter of 0.3 metre, extending 3.0 metres above the roof and 9.7 metres above grade;
- two (2) exhausts, each discharging into the atmosphere at a maximum volumetric flowrate of 4.23 actual cubic meters per seconds through a stack, having an exit diameter of 0.3 metre, extending 3.5 metres above the roof and 9.1 metres above grade;
- one (1) exhaust, discharging into the atmosphere at a maximum volumetric flowrate of 0.79 actual cubic metre per seconds through a stack, having an exit equivalent diameter of 0.3 metre, extending 3.5 metres above the roof and 8.7 meters above grade; and
- one (1) exhaust, discharging into the atmosphere at a maximum volumetric flowrate of 4.23 actual cubic meters per seconds through a stack, having an exit equivalent diameter

of 0.3 metre, extending 3.4 metres above the roof and 8.9 meters above grade;

all in accordance with the Environmental Compliance Approval Application submitted by EUREKA WEARMAX GRINDING INDUSTRIES INC., dated June 19, 2025 and signed by William Jacome, Operations Manager; the supporting information, including the Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report, submitted by Law Consultant Limited, dated June 18, 2025, revised Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report, submitted by Law Consultant Limited, dated September 10, 2026, and email dated August 20, 2026, all signed by Ahmed Naderi; the Acoustic Assessment Report submitted by LAW Consultants Ltd., dated May 26, 2026 and signed by Ahmed Naderi; and, all other documentation associated with the Application.

DEFINITIONS

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

1. "Acoustical Consultant" means a person currently active in the field of environmental acoustics and noise/vibration control, who is familiar with Ministry noise guidelines and procedures and has a combination of formal university education, training and experience necessary to assess noise emissions from a Facility;
2. "Acoustic Assessment Report" means the report, prepared in accordance with Publication NPC-233, by Ahmed Naderi/LAW Consultants Ltd. and dated May 26, 2026 submitted in support of the application, that documents all sources of noise emissions and Noise Control Measures present at the Facility;
3. "Acoustic Audit" means an investigative procedure consisting of measurements and/or acoustic modelling of all sources of noise emissions due to the operation of the Facility, assessed to determine compliance with the performance limits for the Facility regarding noise emissions, completed in accordance with the procedures set in Publication NPC-103 and reported in accordance with Publication NPC-233;
4. "Acoustic Audit Report" means a report presenting the results of an Acoustic Audit, prepared in accordance with Publication NPC-233;
5. "Approval" means this Environmental Compliance Approval, including the application and supporting documentation listed above;
6. "Best Management Practices Plan" means a document or a set of documents which describe measures to minimize dust emissions from the Facility and/or Equipment;
7. "Company" means EUREKA WEARMAX GRINDING INDUSTRIES INC. that is responsible for the construction or operation of the Facility and includes any successors and assigns in accordance with section 19 of the EPA;
8. "Director" means any person appointed in writing by the Minister of the Environment

pursuant to section 5 of the EPA as a Director for the purposes of section 9 of the EPA;

9. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry, where the Facility is geographically located;
10. "EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;
11. "Equipment" means the equipment and processes described in the Company`s application, this Approval and in the supporting documentation submitted with the application, to the extent approved by this Approval;
12. "Facility" means the entire operation located on the property where the Equipment is located;
13. "Independent Acoustical Consultant" means an Acoustical Consultant who is not representing the Company and was not involved in preparing the Acoustic Assessment Report or the design/implementation of Noise Control Measures for the Facility and/or Equipment. The Independent Acoustical Consultant shall not be retained by the Acoustical Consultant involved in the noise impact assessment or the design/implementation of Noise Control Measures for the Facility and/or Equipment;
14. "Manual" means a document or a set of documents that provide written instructions to staff of the Company;
15. "Minister" means the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Park or such other member of the Executive Council as may be assigned the administration of the EPA under the *Executive Council Act*;
16. "Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;
17. "Noise Control Measures" means measures to reduce the noise emissions from the Facility and/or Equipment including, but not limited to, silencers, acoustic louvres, enclosures, absorptive treatment, plenums and barriers, described in the Company's application, and in the supporting documentation referred to herein, including the Acoustic Assessment Report, to the extent approved by this Approval;
18. "Publication NPC-103" means the Ministry Publication NPC-103 of the Model Municipal Noise Control By-Law, Final Report, August 1978, published by the Ministry as amended;
19. "Publication NPC-233" means the Ministry Publication NPC-233,"Information to be Submitted for Approval of Stationary Sources of Sound", October, 1995 as amended;
20. "Publication NPC-300" means the Ministry Publication NPC-300,"Environmental Noise Guideline, Stationary and Transportation Sources - Approval and Planning, Publication NPC-300", August 2013, as amended; and
21. "Technical Bulletin: Management Approaches for Industrial Fugitive Dust Sources" means

the Ministry publication"Technical Bulletin: management approaches for industrial fugitive dust sources", March 8, 2017, as amended.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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

1. **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

    1. The Company shall ensure that the Equipment is properly operated and maintained at all times. The Company shall:
        a. prepare, not later than three (3) months after the date of this Approval, and update, as necessary, a Manual outlining the operating procedures and a maintenance program for the Equipment, including:
            i. routine operating and maintenance procedures in accordance with good engineering practices and as recommended by the Equipment suppliers;
            ii. emergency procedures, including spill clean-up procedures;
            iii. procedures for any record keeping activities relating to operation and maintenance of the Equipment; and
            iv. all appropriate measures to minimize noise and odorous emissions from all potential sources; and
        b. implement the recommendations of the Manual.

2. **RECORD RETENTION**

    1. The Company shall retain, for a minimum of two (2) years from the date of their creation, all records and information related to or resulting from the recording activities required by this Approval, and make these records available for review by staff of the Ministry upon request. The Company shall retain:
        a. all records on the maintenance, repair and inspection of the Equipment; and
        b. all records of any environmental complaints, including:
            i. a description, time and date of each incident to which the complaint relates;
            ii. wind direction at the time of the incident to which the complaint relates; and
            iii. a description of the measures taken to address the cause of the incident

to which the complaint relates and to prevent a similar occurrence in the future.

3. **NOTIFICATION OF COMPLAINTS**

1. The Company shall notify the District Manager, in writing, of each environmental complaint within two (2) business days of the complaint. The notification shall include:
    a. a description of the nature of the complaint; and

    b. the time and date of the incident to which the complaint relates.

4. **FUGITIVE DUST CONTROL**

1. The Company shall develop in consultation with the District Manager, a Best Management Practices Plan for the control of fugitive dust emissions. This Best Management Practices Plan shall:
    a. at minimum, be prepared in accordance with Ministry Technical Bulletin: Management Approaches for Industrial Fugitive Dust Sources; and

    b. include a list of all Ministry comments received, if any, on the development of the Best Management Practices Plan, and a description of how each Ministry comment was addressed in the Best Management Practices Plan.

2. The Company shall submit the Best Management Practices Plan to the District Manager not later than [three] months after the date of this Approval or as otherwise indicated by the District Manager.
3. Upon acceptance of the Best Management Practices Plan by the District Manager, the Company shall immediately implement the Best Management Practices Plan for the control of fugitive dust emissions to provide effective dust suppression measures to any potential sources of fugitive dust emissions resulting from the operation of the Facility.
4. The Company shall update the Best Management Practices Plan as necessary or at the direction of the District Manager.

5. **NOISE**

1. The Company shall ensure, subsequent to the completion of the Noise Control Measures, that the noise emissions from the Facility comply with the limits set out in Ministry Publication NPC-300;

6. **NOISE CONTROL MEASURES**

1. The Company shall:
    a. fully implement the Noise Control Measures specified in the Acoustic Assessment Report not later than nine (9) months after the date of issuance of the Approval;
    b. ensure that the Noise Control Measures are properly maintained and continue to provide the acoustical performance outlined in the Acoustic Assessment Report.
2. The Company shall carry out acoustic audit measurements on the actual noise emissions due to the operation of the Facility. The Company:
    a. shall carry out acoustic audit measurements in accordance with the procedures in Publication NPC-103;
    b. shall submit an Acoustic Audit Report on the results of the Acoustic Audit, prepared by an Independent Acoustical Consultant, in accordance with the requirements of Publication NPC-233, to the District Manager and the Director not later than six (6) months after the full implementation of the Noise Control Measures.

7. **ACOUSTIC AUDIT**

1. The Director:
    a. may not accept the results of the Acoustic Audit if the requirements of Publication NPC-233 were not followed; and
    b. may require the Company to repeat the Acoustic Audit if the results of the Acoustic Audit are found unacceptable to the Director.

8. **CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP**

1. The Company shall notify the Director in writing, and forward a copy of the notification to the District Manager, within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of any of the following changes to the Facility operations:
    a. the ownership of the Facility;
    b. the operator of the Facility;
    c. the address of the Company;
    d. the partners, where the Company 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. B.17, shall be included in the notification; or
    e. the name of the corporation where the Company is or at any time becomes a corporation, other than a municipal corporation, and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.

C.39, shall be included in the notification.

2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Facility, the Company shall notify the successor of the existence of this Approval and provide the successor with a copy of this Approval, and the Company shall provide a copy of the notification to the District Manager and the Director.

REASONS

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

Condition No. 1 is included to emphasize that the Equipment must be maintained and operated according to a procedure that will result in compliance with the EPA, the Regulations and this Approval.
Condition No. 2 is included to require the Company to keep records and to provide information to staff of the Ministry so that compliance with the EPA, the Regulations and this Approval can be verified.
Condition No. 3 is included to require the Company to notify staff of the Ministry so as to assist the Ministry with the review of the site's compliance.
Condition No. 4 is included to emphasize that the Equipment must be maintained and operated according to a procedure that will result in compliance with the EPA, the Regulations and this Approval.
Condition No. 5 is included to provide the minimum performance requirements considered necessary to prevent an adverse effect resulting from the operation of the Facility.
Condition No. 6 is included to require the Company to implement a Noise Control Measures designed to ensure that the noise emissions from the Facility will be in compliance with applicable limits set in the Ministry's noise guidelines.
Condition No. 7 is included to require the Company to gather accurate information and submit an Acoustic Audit Report in accordance with procedures set in the Ministry's noise guidelines, so that the environmental impact and subsequent compliance with the EPA, the regulation and this Approval can be verified.
Condition No. 8 is included to require the Company to notify/report to the Ministry so that compliance with the EPA, the regulations and this Approval can be verified.

APPEAL PROVISIONS

In accordance with Section 139 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, you may by written notice served upon me and the Ontario Land Tribunal, within 15 days after the service of this notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. You must also provide notice to, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks in accordance with Section 47 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993 who will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the *Environmental Protection Act* provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("the Notice") shall state:

1. 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;
2. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

Pursuant to subsection 139(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act*, a hearing may not be required with respect to any terms and conditions in this environmental compliance approval, if the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those contained in an approval that is amended or revoked by this environmental compliance approval.

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:

Registrar* Ontario Land Tribunal 655 Bay Street, Suite 1500 Toronto, Ontario M5G 1E5 OLT.Registrar@ontario.ca	and	The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor	and	The Director appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act* Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 40 St. Clair Avenue West, 2nd

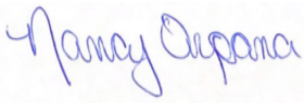
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*** Further information on the Ontario Land Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349 or 1 (866) 448-2248, or Ontario Land Tribunal's**

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 Environmental Registry of Ontario, 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 24th day of September, 2026



Nancy Orpana

Director

appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*

c: WILLIAM JACOME, EUREKA WEARMAX GRINDING INDUSTRIES INC.
Ahmed Naderi, CES/LAW