MANITOBA CONSERVATION PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LIVESTOCK MANURE AND MORTALITIES MANAGEMENT REGULATION

Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation under The Environment Act

Proposed amendment:

16(2) No person shall construct, modify or expand a confined livestock area capable of housing 300 animal units or more of livestock — other than pigs — except under the authority of a permit issued by the director under section 16.1.

Proposed new subsection:

16(2.1) In the case of pigs, no person shall construct, modify or expand a confined livestock area capable of housing 10 animal units or more except under the authority of a permit issued by the director under section 16.1.

Proposed new section 16.4(1)-(7):

AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS RE PIGS

Purpose

16.4(1) The purpose of this section is to temporarily restrict the further growth of pig agricultural operations in Manitoba while the Clean Environment Commission conducts a review of the environmental sustainability of those operations in the province, pursuant to the minister's referral to the Commission dated November 8, 2006.

Authority to issue permits for pig manure storage facilities temporarily suspended

16.4(2) The director's authority to issue permits for manure storage facilities in respect of pigs under subsection 6(4) is suspended from the day this section comes into force until such time as the Clean Environment Commission has completed its review and made its report to the minister.

Exception

- **16.4(3)** The suspension in subsection (2) does not affect the director's authority to issue a permit in respect of a pig manure storage facility in the following circumstances:
 - (a) the manure in the storage facility is subjected to anaerobic digestion in a manner acceptable to the director or another similar or better environmentally sound treatment acceptable to the director;
 - (b) the operator is directed under subclause 6(14)(b)(ii) to apply for such a permit;
 - (c) the operator is required under clause 16.3(6)(c) to correct something that the director considers to be a deficiency in the facility;
 - (d) a permit is required to repair the facility to improve the handling of manure in an environmentally sound manner.

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Authority to issue permits for confined livestock areas for pigs temporarily suspended

16.4(4) The director's authority to issue permits in respect of confined livestock areas capable of housing 10 animal units or more of pigs under subsection 16.1(3) is suspended from the day this section comes into force until such time as the Clean Environment Commission has completed its review and made its report to the minister.

Exception

16.4(5) The suspension in subsection (4) does not affect the director's authority to issue a permit in respect of a confined livestock area for pigs if the permit is required to repair the facility to improve the handling of manure in an environmentally sound manner.

Transitional

16.4(6) This section does not apply in respect of applications for permits received under section 6 or 16.1 before this section comes into force.

Conflict

16.4(7) Where there is a conflict between this section and another provision of this regulation, this section prevails.