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May 10, 2010

Dear Mr. Jowett:

Enclosed is **Environment Act Licence No. 2920** dated May 10, 2010 issued in accordance with The Environment Act to **Country Meat & Sausage** for the operation of the Development being an existing cattle and hog slaughtering and meat processing plant, located at 79 Penner Drive in the R.M. of Hanover, in accordance with an Environment Act Proposal dated July 17, 2007, a Notice of Alteration dated July 14, 2008, a "Lagoon Decommissioning Summary Plan" dated July 14, 2008 and an "Industrial Services Agreement" between the Licencees and the R.M. of Hanover, dated March 5, 2009.

In addition to the enclosed Licence requirements, please be informed that all other applicable federal, provincial and municipal regulations and by-laws must be complied with.

For further information on the administration and application of the Licence, please feel free to contact Clem Moche, Environmental Engineer at (204) 945-7013.

Pursuant to Section 27 of The Environment Act, this licensing decision may be appealed by any person who is affected by the issuance of this Licence to the Minister of Conservation within 30 days of the date of the Licence.

Yours truly,

Tracey Braun, M. Sc.  
Director  
Environment Act

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c: Don Labossiere, Director, Environmental Operations  
Public Registries

**NOTE:** Confirmation of Receipt of this Licence No. 2920 (*by the Licencee only*) is required by the Director of Environmental Assessment and Licensing. Please acknowledge receipt by signing in the space provided below and faxing a copy (letter only) to the Department by May 25, 2010.

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On behalf of Country Meat & Sausage

Date

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# LICENCE

Licence No. / Licence n° 2920

Issue Date / Date de délivrance May 10, 2010

In accordance with The Environment Act (C.C.S.M. c. E125) /  
Conformément à la Loi sur l'environnement (C.P.L.M. c. E125)

Pursuant to Sections 10(1) and 14(2) / Conformément au Paragraphes 10(1) et 14(2)

**THIS LICENCE IS ISSUED TO: / CETTE LICENCE EST DONNÉE À:**

**Country Meat and Sausage**

**4279485 / 4279493 Manitoba Ltd. the "Licencees"**

to operate an existing cattle and hog slaughtering and meat processing plant, located at 79 Penner Drive in the R.M. of Hanover, in accordance with an Environment Act Proposal dated July 17, 2007;

AND

a Notice of Alteration dated July 14, 2008;

AND

a "Lagoon Decommissioning Summary Plan" dated July 14, 2008

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an "Industrial Services Agreement" between the Licencees and the R.M. of Hanover, dated March 5, 2009.

## **DEFINITIONS**

In this Licence,

"**accredited laboratory**" means an analytical facility accredited by the Standard Council of Canada (SCC), or accredited by another accrediting agency recognized by Manitoba Conservation to be equivalent to the SCC, or be able to demonstrate, upon request, that it has the quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures in place equivalent to accreditation based on the international standard ISO/IEC 17025, or otherwise approved by the Director;

"**affected area**" means a geographical area, excluding the property of the Development;

"**approved**" means approved by the Director in writing;

"**ASTM**" means the American Society for Testing and Materials;

"**day**" or "**daily**" means any period of 24 consecutive hours;

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“**CFIA**” means Canadian Food Inspection Agency;

“**Director**” means an employee so designated pursuant to The Environment Act;

“**Environmental Management System (EMS)**” means the part of the overall management system that includes organizational structure, planning activities, responsibilities, practices, procedures, processes, and resources for developing, implementing, achieving, reviewing and maintaining the environmental policy;

“**Environment Officer**” means an employee so appointed pursuant to The Environment Act;

“**MSDS**” means material safety data sheets;

“**noise nuisance**” means a continuous or repeated noise in an affected area, which is offensive, obnoxious, troublesome, annoying, unpleasant, or disagreeable to a person:

- a) residing in an affected area;
- b) working in an affected area; or
- c) present at a location in an affected area which is normally open to the members of the public;

if the noise

- d) is the subject of at least 5 written complaints, received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director, and within a 90 day period, from 5 different persons falling within clauses a), b), or c), who do not live in the same household; or
- e) is the subject of at least one written complaint, received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director, from a person falling within clauses a), b) or c), and the Director is of the opinion that if the noise had occurred in a more densely populated area there would have been at least 5 written complaints received within a 90-day period, from 5 different persons who do not live in the same household;

“**odour nuisance**” means a continuous or repeated odour, smell or aroma in an affected area which is offensive, obnoxious, troublesome, annoying, unpleasant or disagreeable to a person:

- a) residing in an affected area;
- b) working in an affected area; or
- c) present at a location in an affected area which is normally open to members of the public;

if the odour, smell or aroma

- d) is the subject of at least 5 written complaints received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director and within a 90 day period, and from 5 different persons falling within clauses a), b) or c) who do not live in the same household; or
- e) is the subject of at least one written complaint, received by the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director, from a person falling within clauses a), b) or c) and the Director is of the opinion that if the odour, smell or aroma had occurred in a more densely populated area there would have been at least 5 written complaints received within a 90 day period from 5 different persons who do not live in the same household;

“**pollutant**” means a pollutant as defined in The Environment Act;

**“process wastewater”** means all wastewater excluding sanitary sewage and surface runoff from the property of the Development;

**“SRM”** means specified risk materials;

**“wastewater”** means any polluted fluid streams generated at or originating from the Development;

**“WHMIS”** means Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System.

### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This Section of the Licence contains requirements intended to provide guidance to the Licencees in implementing practices to ensure that the environment is maintained in such a manner as to sustain a high quality of life, including social and economic development, recreation and leisure for present and future Manitobans.

1. In addition to any of the limits, terms and conditions specified in this Licence, the Licencees shall, upon the request of the Director:
  - a) sample, monitor, analyze and/or investigate specific areas of concern regarding any segment, component or aspect of pollutant storage, containment, treatment, handling, disposal or emission systems, for such pollutants or ambient quality, aquatic toxicity, leachate characteristics and discharge or emission rates, for such duration and at such frequencies as may be specified;
  - b) determine the environmental impact associated with the release of any pollutant(s) from the Development; or
  - c) provide the Director, within such time as may be specified, with such reports, drawings, specifications, analytical data, descriptions of sampling and analytical procedures being used, bioassay data, flow rate measurements and such other information as may from time to time be requested.
  
2. The Licencees shall, unless otherwise specified in this Licence:
  - a) carry out all preservations and analyses on liquid samples in accordance with the methods prescribed in "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" or in accordance with an equivalent analytical methodology approved by the Director;
  - b) have all analytical determinations undertaken by an accredited laboratory; and
  - c) report the results to the Director, in writing or in a format acceptable to the Director, within 60 days of the samples being taken.
  
3. The Licencees shall submit all information required to be provided to the Director under this Licence, in writing, and in such form (including number of copies), and of such content as may be required by the Director.

4. The Licencees shall, in case of any physical or mechanical breakdown of the wastewater collection or conveyance systems:
  - a) notify the Director immediately;
  - b) identify the repairs required to the wastewater collection or conveyance systems;
  - c) undertake all repairs as soon as possible to minimize unauthorized releases of wastewater; or if necessary, terminate all wet meat processing activities; and
  - d) complete the repairs in accordance with any instructions that may be provided by the Director.
  
5. The Licencees shall, within 6 months of the receipt of this Licence, prepare and submit to the Director, for approval, an Emergency Response Plan (ERP) for the Development, in written and electronic format, and prepared in accordance with the "Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety" emergency planning guidelines, and implement the ERP in accordance with the approved ERP.

### **SPECIFICATIONS, LIMITS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **Respecting the Operation of the Development**

6. The Licencees shall direct all delivered, live and unloaded cattle and hogs as quickly as possible into the respective cattle and hog pens, but shall not exceed the total holding capacity of 120 animals on any day.
  
7. The Licencees shall limit the rate of cattle and hog processing to no greater than 120 animals per operating day, as based on bovine equivalents, unless otherwise authorized by the Director.
  
8. The Licencees shall minimize the loss of blood to the sewers, and have all offal, blood, bones, dead on arrival animals, SRM material and the solids and sludges collected in the septic tank, regularly removed off the site and transported to, and disposed of into, a CFIA approved disposal facility.
  
9. The Licencees shall ensure that livestock manure is stored, handled or disposed of, or ensure it is applied to agricultural land, in accordance with a Manure Management Plan registered with the Director of Environmental Services in accordance with subsection 13(4) of the *Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation MR 42/98* or any future amendment thereof.

#### **Respecting Wastewater Management**

10. The Licencees shall, consistent with the prevailing "Industrial Services Agreement" with the R.M. of Hanover:
  - a) direct all sewage and process wastewater generated at the Development into the primary chamber and thence the secondary chamber of the Licencees' existing 2-chamber septic tank, and thereupon transfer the primary treated and metered wastewater by forcemain into the Blumenort wastewater treatment facility.

- b) regularly arrange to have the accumulated sludges and solids removed from the septic tank and hauled off site by a licensed hauler, for disposal within a CFIA approved disposal facility.
- 11. The Licencees shall, as a precautionary measure in the event of a rupture of the forcemain, place a visible boundary marker, along the buried force line, so as to enable the quick identification of the liable party that must repair the forcemain.
- 12. The Licencees shall not permit pollutants to be directed into, or transported by, any surface drainage route leading off the property of the Development, or to seep into the local groundwater.

#### **Respecting the Decommissioning of the Existing Wastewater Lagoon**

- 13. The Licencees shall henceforth terminate any further transfers of wastewater and/or sludges into the existing on-site single-cell lagoon, and shall permanently decommission this lagoon cell, as proposed, by no later than the proposed date of October 31, 2011, with progress reports provided to the Director every three months until the specified completion date.
- 14. The Licencees shall, as part of the wastewater lagoon decommissioning activity, investigate, and submit a report to the Director, on whether or not the use of the wastewater lagoon has impacted the groundwater quality, and if so, to what degree, so as to assess the potential need for a groundwater remediation program.

#### **Respecting Solid Wastes**

- 15. The Licencees shall not undertake any on-site burning of solid waste.
- 16. The Licencees shall minimize the generation of domestic solid waste and maximize, wherever possible, the collection and recycling of recyclable wastes generated through the operation of the Development.
- 17. The Licencees shall:
  - a) collect and dispose of all in transit cattle and hog mortalities in compliance with Manitoba's *Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation 42/98*, or any future amendment thereof.
- 18. The Licencees shall not deposit domestic solid waste into the environment except into a waste disposal ground operating under the authority of:
  - a) a permit issued pursuant to *Manitoba Regulation 150/91*, or any future amendment thereof; or
  - b) a Licence issued pursuant to The Environment Act.

**Respecting Air Emissions**

19. The Licencees shall not cause or permit an odour nuisance to result from the operation of the cattle and hog processing facility, and shall take such steps, as the Director may require, to eliminate or to mitigate an odour nuisance.
20. The Licencees shall not cause or permit a noise nuisance to be created as a result of the operation of the cattle and hog processing facility, and shall take such steps as the Director may require to eliminate or to mitigate a noise nuisance.

**Respecting Dangerous Goods or Hazardous Wastes**


21. The Licencees shall comply with all the applicable requirements of:
  - a) *Manitoba Regulation 240/2004*, or any future amendments thereto, respecting the storage and handling of petroleum products and allied products;
  - b) the *Manitoba Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act*, and regulations issued thereunder, respecting the handling, transport, storage and disposal of any dangerous goods brought onto or generated at the Development; and
  - c) *Manitoba Regulation 439/87*, or any future amendment thereto, respecting the reporting of environmental accidents.
22. The Licencees shall collect, transport and store used oil or hydraulic fluids removed from on-site machinery in secure, properly labeled, non-leaking containers and regularly sent to a recycling facility or a facility approved to accept hazardous wastes.
23. The Licencees shall maintain spill recovery equipment on-site at all times.

**MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

24. The Licencees shall continually maintain an up-to-date inventory of any process and cleaning chemicals used and/or stored on-site, and that are regulated by any applicable federal/provincial WHMIS regulations and protocols, and make this information and applicable MSDS sheets available to any Environment Officer upon request.
25. The Licencees shall, at the end of each month of operation:
  - a) determine and record the respective number of each of cattle and hogs that were processed during that month, as well as the total volume of wastewater having been transferred to the Blumenort lagoon during that same period; and
  - b) submit the recorded information to the Director, in a format acceptable to the Director, no later than 30 days after the end of each month.

**REVIEW AND REVOCATION**

- A. If, in the opinion of the Director, the Licencees have exceeded or are exceeding or have or are failing to meet the specifications, limits, terms, or conditions set out in this Licence, the Director may, temporarily or permanently, revoke this Licence.
- B. If, in the opinion of the Director, new evidence warrants a change in the specifications, limits, terms or conditions of this Licence, the Director may require the filing of a new proposal pursuant to Section 10 of The Environment Act.

  
**Tracey Braun, M.Sc.**  
**Director**  
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