

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

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

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Caressant-Care Nursing and Retirement Homes Limited 264 Norwich Ave Woodstock, Ontario N4S 3V9

Site Location: Caressant Care Courtland 4850 Highway 59 Norfolk County, Ontario N0J 1E0

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:

establishment, usage and operation of new non-municipal sewage works, for the treatment of sanitary sewage from a long term care home and disposal of effluent to Little Otter Creek via a Sewage Treatment Plant (Caressant Care Courtland Wastewater Treatment Plant) and Final Effluent disposal facilities as follows:

Classification of Sewage Treatment Plant: Secondary

#### **Details of Service Area:**

- **Type of Occupancy**: Institutional
- Type and Number of Units: 55 long term care home beds

#### **Design Capacity of Sewage Treatment Plant:**

Design Capacity with All Treatment Trains in Operation	Existing Works
Rated Capacity	$30 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$

## Influent and Imported Sewage

Receiving Location	Types
In Collection System	Sanitary Sewage
At Sewage Treatment Plant	None

#### **Proposed Works:**

#### **Caressant Care Courtland Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)**

## **Influent Flow Measurement and Sampling Point**

- one (1) flow measurement device upstream of the equalization tank described below;
- one (1) automatic composite sampler located at the Preliminary Treatment System's septic tank described below;

## **Preliminary Treatment System**

- one (1) existing two-compartment cast-in-place concrete septic tank with a minimum capacity of 26,500 L, equipped with two (2) access risers fitted to grade at the inlet and outlets of the tank with watertight and lockable covers, receiving effluent from the long term care home and discharging effluent via a 150 mm diameter gravity pipe to the existing pump chamber described below;
- one (1) existing cast-in-place concrete pump chamber with a minimum capacity of 6,100 L, equipped with a high level alarm, low level shut-off, one (1) access riser fitted to grade with a watertight and lockable cover, and duplex (2) submersible time-dosed pumps each with a rated capacity of approximately 125 L/min at 3.0 m TDH set for dosing on a timed-controlled basis at a maximum daily flow rate of 30,000 L/d (48 cycles per day at approximately 5 minutes per cycle), discharging effluent via a 150 mm diameter forcemain to the proposed equalization tank described below;
- one (1) proposed 34,500 L capacity equalization tank, equipped with a high level alarm, low level shut-off, three (3) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, and duplex (2) submersible time-dosed pumps each with a rated capacity of approximately 181.2 L/min at 3.0 m TDH set for dosing on a timed-controlled basis at a maximum hourly flow rate of 1,250 L/h (96 cycles per day at approximately 1.7 minutes per cycle), discharging effluent via a 50 mm diameter forcemain to the proposed sludge storage tank described below;

#### **Primary Treatment System**

• one (1) proposed 34,500 L capacity online sludge storage tank, equipped with three (3) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging effluent via a 150 mm diameter

gravity pipe to the online sludge storage tank described below;

• one (1) proposed two-compartment precast concrete septic tank with the first compartment operating as the online sludge storage tank with a minimum capacity of 22,500 L and the second compartment operating as the primary clarifier with a minimum capacity of 10,900 L, equipped with three (3) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging effluent via a 150 mm diameter gravity pipe to the proposed moving-bed bioreactor described below;

## **Secondary Treatment System**

- Biological Treatment
  - one (1) proposed 10,200 L capacity moving bed biofilm reactor, equipped with a minimum of 4.0 m<sup>3</sup> of RH20 carrier media, a fine bubble aeration system, and six (6) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging to the proposed intermediate clarifier below via a 150 mm gravity pipe;
  - One (1) air blower equipped with VFD rated at 55.0  $\text{m}^3$ /h at 23.76 kPa;
- Intermediate Sedimentation
  - One (1) proposed 2.86 m x 1.98 m x 2.33 m SWD intermediate clarifier equipped with sludge and scum removal mechanisms and four (4) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging to the proposed moving-bed bioreactor described below via a 150 mm gravity pipe;
  - Two (2) sludge return pumps and one (1) scum return pump, each with a capacity of 115.0 L/min at 2.5 m TDH, discharging sludge and scum to the online sludge storage tank described above at a peak hourly flow of 600 L/h;
- Biological Treatment
  - one (1) proposed 12,570 L capacity moving bed biofilm reactor, equipped with a minimum of 4.5 m<sup>3</sup> of RH20 carrier media, a fine bubble aeration system, and six (6) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging to the proposed phosphorus removal tank below via a 150 mm diameter gravity pipe;
  - One (1) air blower equipped with VFD rated at  $50.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$  at 27.36 kPa;
  - One (1) effluent return pump with a capacity of 117.4 L/s at 2.4 m TDH, discharging effluent to the online sludge storage tank at a peak hourly flow rate of 775.2 L/h;
- Phosphorus Treatment

- one (1) proposed two-compartment precast concrete septic tank with a minimum capacity of 4,040 L, equipped with an aerated mixing system and three (3) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging effluent to the proposed final clarifier described below via a 150 mm diameter gravity pipe;
- Final Sedimentation
  - One (1) proposed 2.86 m x 1.98 m x 2.33 m SWD final clarifier equipped with sludge and scum removal mechanisms and four (4) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, discharging to the proposed pump chamber described below via a 150 mm diameter gravity pipe;
  - Two (2) sludge return pumps and one (1) scum return pump, each with a capacity of 110.9 L/s at 2.6 m TDH, discharging sludge and scum to the online sludge storage tank at a maximum hourly flow rate of 75.6 L/h;

## **Post-Secondary Treatment System**

- Pump Chamber
  - one (1) proposed precast concrete pump chamber with a minimum capacity of 6,490 L, equipped with a high level alarm, low level shut-off, two (2) access risers fitted to grade with watertight and lockable covers, and duplex (2) submersible time-dosed pumps each with a rated capacity of approximately 36.2 L/min at 42 m TDH set for dosing on a timed-controlled basis at a maximum hourly flow rate of 1,250 L/h (96 cycles per day at approximately 8.6 minutes per cycle), discharging effluent via a 150 mm diameter forcemain to the proposed sand filtration system described below;
- Sand Filtration System
  - One (1) pressurized sand filter (Canature WaterGroup model CW NX14-1") rated at a peak flow rate 37.8 L/min, equipped with pressure differential valves that trigger an automatic backwash system, discharging treated effluent to the proposed UV disinfection system described below via a 50.8 mm diameter force feed pipe;
  - An automatic backwash system consisting of one (1) 2,000 L backwater filter tank and one (1) backwash filter pump with a rated capacity of approximately 53 L/min at 28.1 m TDH, discharging backwash effluent to the online storage tank described above via a 50 mm force feed pipe;
- Polishing Pond
  - One (1) existing polishing pond with an approximate surface area of 1,550 m<sup>2</sup> and an average depth of 0.5 m, complete with an concrete outlet structure consisting of a 200 mm discharge pipe and an emergency overflow swale at an elevation of 225.27 m, discharging effluent into Little

Otter Creek via the final effluent disposal facility described below;

## **Supplementary Treatment Systems**

- Phosphorus Removal
  - One (1) 680 L capacity phosphorus removal chemical storage tank and two (2) metering pumps each rated at 0 18 mL/min to dose poly-aluminum chloride upstream of the online sludge storage tank and upstream of the phosphorus treatment system;
- Alkalinity Addition
  - One (1) 6.35 mm diameter pipe located at the inlet of the nitrification tank to allow for the dosing of sodium carbonate;

## **Disinfection System**

• One (1) UV disinfection system (UV-Pure Model Hallett 500W or Equivalent Equipment) rated at a maximum flow rate of 151 L/min, equipped with two (2) low pressure high output UV lamps providing a UV dosage of 30 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>, discharging treated effluent to the existing polishing pond described above;

## **Final Effluent Flow Measurement and Sampling Point**

• one (1) flow measurement device and one (1) automatic composite sampler located at the outlet of the UV disinfection system described above;

## Final Effluent Disposal Facilities

• one (1) 200 mm diameter gravity sewer with a minimum 1% slope, receiving effluent from the polishing pond and discharging to Little Otter Creek, ultimately to Lake Erie;

including all other mechanical system, electrical system, instrumentation and control system, standby power system, piping, pumps, valves and appurtenances essential for the proper, safe and reliable operation of the Works in accordance with this Approval, in the context of process performance and general principles of wastewater engineering only;

all in accordance with the submitted supporting documents listed in Schedule A.

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

1. "Annual Average Daily Influent Flow" means the cumulative total sewage flow of Influent to the Sewage Treatment Plant during a calendar year divided by the number of days during which sewage was flowing to the Sewage Treatment Plant that year;

- 2. "Approval" means this entire Environmental Compliance Approval and any Schedules attached to it;
- 3. "BOD5" (also known as TBOD5) means five day biochemical oxygen demand measured in an unfiltered sample and includes carbonaceous and nitrogenous oxygen demands;
- 4. "Bypass" means diversion of sewage around one or more treatment processes, excluding Preliminary Treatment System, within the Sewage Treatment Plant with the diverted sewage flows being returned to the Sewage Treatment Plant treatment train upstream of the Final Effluent sampling point(s) and discharged via the approved effluent disposal facilities;
- 5. "CBOD5" means five day carbonaceous (nitrification inhibited) biochemical oxygen demand measured in an unfiltered sample;
- 6. "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;
- 7. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry where the Works is geographically located;
- 8. "E. coli " refers to coliform bacteria that possess the enzyme beta-glucuronidase and are capable of cleaving a fluorogenic or chromogenic substrate with the corresponding release of a fluorogen or chromogen, that produces fluorescence under long wavelength (366 nm) UV light, or color development, respectively. Enumeration methods include tube, membrane filter, or multi-well procedures. Depending on the method selected, incubation temperatures include 35.5 + 0.5 °C or 44.5 + 0.2 °C (to enumerate thermotolerant species). Depending on the procedure used, data are reported as either colony forming units (CFU) per 100 mL (for membrane filtration methods) or as most probable number (MPN) per 100 mL (for tube or multi-well methods);
- 9. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;
- 10. "Equivalent Equipment" means alternate piece(s) of equipment that meets the design requirements and performance specifications of the piece(s) of equipment to be substituted;
- 11. "Existing Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that have been constructed previously;
- 12. "Final Effluent" means effluent that is discharged to the environment through the approved effluent disposal facilities, including all Bypasses, that are required to meet the compliance limits stipulated in the Approval for the Sewage Treatment Plant at the Final Effluent sampling point(s);
- 13. "Grab Sample" means an individual sample of at least 1000 millilitres collected in an appropriate container at a randomly selected time over a period of time not exceeding 15 minutes;
- 14. "Influent" means flows to the Sewage Treatment Plant from the collection system;

- 15. "Licensed Engineering Practitioner" means a person who holds a licence, limited licence or temporary licence under the PEO;
- 16. "Limited Operational Flexibility" (LOF) means the conditions that the Owner shall follow in order to undertake any modification that is pre-authorized as part of this Approval;
- 17. "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;
- 18. "Monthly Average Effluent Concentration" is the mean of all Single Sample Results of the concentration of a contaminant in the Final Effluent sampled or measured during a calendar month;
- 19. "Monthly Average Daily Effluent Flow" means the cumulative total Final Effluent discharged during a calendar month divided by the number of days during which Final Effluent was discharged that month;
- 20. "Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading" means the value obtained by multiplying the Monthly Average Effluent Concentration of a contaminant by the Monthly Average Daily Effluent Flow over the same calendar month;
- 21. "Monthly Geometric Mean Density" is the mean of all Single Sample Results of *E.coli* measurement in the samples taken during a calendar month;
- 22. "Normal Operating Condition" means the condition when all unit process(es), excluding Preliminary Treatment System, in a treatment train is operating within its design capacity;
- 23. "Operating Authority" means the Owner, person or the entity that is authorized by the Owner for the management, operation, maintenance, or alteration of the Works in accordance with this Approval;
- 24. "Owner" means any person that is responsible for the establishment of the Works being approved by this Approval, and includes Owner's Legal Name and its successors and assigns;
- 25. "Overflow" means a discharge to the environment from the Works at designed location(s) other than the approved effluent disposal facilities or via the effluent disposal facilities downstream of the Final Effluent sampling point;
- 26. "OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40;
- 27. "Peak Daily Flow Rate" (also referred to as maximum daily flow or maximum day flow) means the largest volume of flow to be received during a one-day period for which the sewage treatment process unit or equipment is designed to handle;
- 28. "Peak Hourly Flow Rate" (also referred to as maximum hourly flow or maximum hour flow) means the largest volume of flow to be received during a one-hour period for which the sewage treatment process unit or equipment is designed to handle;

- 29. "PEO" means Professional Engineers Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.28;
- 30. "Preliminary Treatment System" means all facilities in the Sewage Treatment Plant associated with screening and grit removal;
- "Procedure F-5-1" means the Ministry guidance document titled "Procedure F-5-1 Determination of Treatment Requirements for Municipal and Private Sewage Treatment Works Discharging to Surface Waters " dated May 2, 2019;
- "Procedure F-5-5" means the Ministry guidance document titled "Procedure F-5-5 Determination of Treatment Requirements for Municipal and Private Combined and Partially Separated Sewer Systems" dated March 25, 2019;
- 33. "Proposed Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that are under construction or to be constructed;
- 34. "Rated Capacity" means the Annual Average Daily Influent Flow for which the Sewage Treatment Plant is designed to handle;
- 35. "Sewage Treatment Plant" means all the facilities related to sewage treatment within the sewage treatment plant site excluding the Final Effluent disposal facilities;
- 36. "Single Sample Result" means the test result 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;
- 37. "Works" means the approved sewage works, and includes Proposed Works, Existing Works and modifications made under Limited Operational Flexibility.

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 referred to in this Approval and the

conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.

- 4. 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.
- 5. The issuance of, and compliance with the conditions of this Approval does not:
  - a. relieve any person of any obligation to comply with any provision of any applicable statute, regulation or other legal requirement, including, but not limited to, the obligation to obtain approval from the local conservation authority necessary to construct or operate the sewage Works; or
  - b. limit in any way the authority of the Ministry to require certain steps be taken to require the Owner to furnish any further information related to compliance with this Approval.

## 2. CHANGE OF OWNER AND OPERATING AUTHORITY

- 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 address of Owner;
  - b. change of Owner, including address of new 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. B.17*, as amended, shall be included in the notification;
  - 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. C.39*, as amended, shall be included in the notification.
- 2. The Owner shall notify the District Manager, in writing, of any of the following changes within thirty (30) days of the change occurring:
  - a. change of address of Operating Authority;
  - b. change of Operating Authority, including address of new Operating Authority.
- 3. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, the Owner shall notify the succeeding owner in writing, of the existence of this Approval, and forward a copy of the notice to the District Manager.
- 4. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition refer to the

environmental compliance approval number.

## 3. CONSTRUCTION OF PROPOSED WORKS

- 1. All Proposed Works in this Approval shall be constructed and installed and must commence operation within five (5) years of issuance of this Approval, after which time the Approval ceases to apply in respect of any portions of the Works not in operation. In the event that the construction, installation and/or operation of any portion of the Proposed Works is anticipated to be delayed beyond the time period stipulated, the Owner shall submit to the Director an application to amend the Approval to extend this time period, at least six (6) months prior to the end of the period. The amendment application shall include the reason(s) for the delay and whether there is any design change(s).
- 2. Upon completion of construction of the Proposed Works, the Owner shall prepare and submit a written statement to the District Manager, certified by a Licensed Engineering Practitioner, that the Proposed Works is constructed in accordance with this Approval.
- 3. One (1) week prior to the commencement of the operation of the Proposed Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start-up date.
- 4. Within one (1) year of completion of construction of the Proposed Works, a set of record drawings of the Works shall be prepared or updated. These drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be readily accessible for reference at the Works.

## 4. DESIGN OBJECTIVES

- 1. The Owner shall design and undertake everything practicable to operate the Sewage Treatment Plant in accordance with the following objectives:
  - a. Final Effluent parameters design objectives listed in the table(s) included in Schedule B.
  - b. Final Effluent is essentially free of floating and settleable 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 waters.
  - c. Annual Average Daily Influent Flow is within the Rated Capacity of the Sewage Treatment Plant.

## 5. COMPLIANCE LIMITS

- 1. The Owner shall operate and maintain the Sewage Treatment Plant such that compliance limits for the Final Effluent parameters listed in the table(s) included in Schedule C are met.
- 2. The Owner shall operate and maintain the Sewage Treatment Plant such that the Final Effluent is disinfected continuously year-round.

## 6. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

- 1. The Owner shall ensure 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 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/update the operations manual for the Works within six (6) months of completion of construction of the Proposed Works, that includes, but not necessarily limited to, the following information:
  - a. operating procedures for the Works under Normal Operating Conditions;
  - 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. operating procedures for the Works to handle situations outside Normal Operating Conditions and emergency situations such as a structural, mechanical or electrical failure, or an unforeseen flow condition;
  - f. a spill prevention and contingency plan, consisting of procedures and contingency plans, including notification to the District Manager, to reduce the risk of spills of pollutants and prevent, eliminate or ameliorate any adverse effects that result or may result from spills of pollutants;
  - g. procedures for receiving, responding and recording public complaints, including recording any followup actions taken.
- 3. The Owner shall maintain the operations manual up-to-date and make the manual readily accessible for reference at the Works.
- 4. The Owner shall ensure that the Operating Authority fulfills the requirements under O. Reg. 129/04, as amended for the Works, including the classification of facilities, licensing of operators and operating standards. The Owner shall maintain a record of these fulfilled requirements under O. Reg. 129/04 at the Works.

## 7. 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 Schedule D 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 3.b.
- c. definitions for frequency:
  - i. Monthly means once every month;
- d. a schedule of the day of the month for the scheduled sampling shall be created. The sampling schedule shall be revised and updated every year through rotation of the day of the month for the scheduled sampling program, except when the actual scheduled monitoring frequency is three (3) or more times per week.
- 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 documents and all analysis shall be conducted by a laboratory accredited to the ISO/IEC:17025 standard or as directed by the District Manager:
  - 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;
  - b. the Ministry's publication "Protocol for the Sampling and Analysis of Industrial/Municipal Wastewater Version 2.0" (January 2016), PIBS 2724e02, as amended;
  - c. the publication "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater", as amended; and
  - d. for any parameters not mentioned in the documents referenced in Paragraphs 3.a, 3.b and 3.c, the written approval of the District Manager shall be obtained prior to sampling.
- 3. The Owner shall monitor and record the flow rate and daily quantity using flow measuring devices or other methods of measurement as approved below calibrated to an accuracy within plus or minus 15 per cent (+/- 15%) of the actual flowrate of the following:
  - a. Influent flow to the Sewage Treatment Plant by continuous flow measuring devices and instrumentations/pumping rates; and
  - b. Final Effluent discharged from the Sewage Treatment Plant by continuous flow measuring devices and instrumentations/pumping rates.
- 4. The Owner shall retain for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of their creation, all records and information related to or resulting from the monitoring activities required by this Approval.

## 8. LIMITED OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY

- 1. The Owner may make pre-authorized modifications to the Sewage Treatment Plant in Works in accordance with the document "Limited Operational Flexibility Protocol for Pre-Authorized Modifications to Municipal Sewage Works" (Schedule E), as amended, subject to the following:
  - a. the modifications will not involve the addition of any new treatment process or the removal of an existing treatment process, including chemical systems, from the liquid or solids treatment trains as originally designed and approved.
  - b. the scope and technical aspects of the modifications are in line with those delineated in Schedule E and conform with the Ministry's publication "Design Guidelines for Sewage Works 2008", as amended, Ministry's regulations, policies, guidelines, and industry engineering standards;
  - c. the modifications shall not negatively impact on the performance of any process or equipment in the Works or result in deterioration in the Final Effluent quality;
  - d. where the pre-authorized modification requires notification, a "Notice of Modifications to Sewage Works" (Schedule E), as amended shall be completed with declarations from a Licensed Engineering Practitioner and the Owner and retained on-site prior to the scheduled implementation date. All supporting information including technical memorandum, engineering plans and specifications, as applicable and appropriate to support the declarations that the modifications conform with LOF shall remain on-site for future inspection.
- 2. The following modifications are not pre-authorized under Limited Operational Flexibility:
  - a. Modifications that involve addition or extension of process structures, tankages or channels;
  - b. Modifications that involve relocation of the Final Effluent outfall or any other discharge location or that may require reassessment of the impact to the receiver or environment;
  - c. Modifications that involve addition of or change in technology of a treatment process or that may involve reassessment of the treatment train process design;
  - d. Modifications that require changes to be made to the emergency response, spill prevention and contingency plan; or
  - e. Modifications that are required pursuant to an order issued by the Ministry.

## 9. REPORTING

- 1. The Owner shall report to the District Manager orally as soon as possible any non-compliance with the compliance limits, and in writing within seven (7) days of non-compliance.
- 2. The Owner shall, within fifteen (15) days of occurrence of a spill within the meaning of Part X of the

EPA, submit a full written report of the occurrence to the District Manager describing the cause and discovery of the spill, clean-up and recovery measures taken, preventative measures to be taken and schedule of implementation, in addition to fulfilling the requirements under the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98 "Classification and Exemption of Spills and Reporting of Discharges".

- 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 performance reports on a calendar year basis and submit to the District Manager by March 31 of the calendar year following the period being reported upon. The reports shall contain, but shall not be limited to, the following information pertaining to the reporting period:
  - a. a summary and interpretation of all Influent monitoring data, and a review of the historical trend of the sewage characteristics and flow rates;
  - b. a summary and interpretation of all Final Effluent monitoring data, including concentration, flow rates, loading and a comparison to the design objectives and compliance limits in this Approval, including an overview of the success and adequacy of the Works;
  - c. a summary of any deviation from the monitoring schedule and reasons for the current reporting year and a schedule for the next reporting year;
  - d. a summary of all operating issues encountered and corrective actions taken;
  - e. a summary of all normal and emergency repairs and maintenance activities carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus or mechanism forming part of the Works;
  - f. a summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken;
  - g. a summary of the calibration and maintenance carried out on all Influent and Final Effluent monitoring equipment to ensure that the accuracy is within the tolerance of that equipment as required in this Approval or recommended by the manufacturer;
  - h. a summary of efforts made to achieve the design objectives in this Approval, including an assessment of the issues and recommendations for pro-active actions when any of the design objectives is not achieved more than 50% of the time in a year or there is an increasing trend in deterioration of Final Effluent quality;
  - i. a tabulation of the volume of sludge generated, 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;
  - j. a summary of any complaints received and any steps taken to address the complaints;
  - k. a summary of all situations outside Normal Operating Conditions and spills within the meaning of

Part X of EPA and abnormal discharge events;

- 1. a summary of all Notice of Modifications to Sewage Works completed under Paragraph 1.d. of Condition 8, including a report on status of implementation of all modification;
- m. a summary of efforts made to achieve conformance with Procedure F-5-1;
- n. any changes or updates to the schedule for the completion of construction and commissioning operation of major process(es) / equipment groups in the Proposed Works;
- o. any other information the District Manager requires from time to time.

## Schedule A

- 1. Environmental Compliance Approval Application for a Municipal and Private Sewage Works submitted and signed by Tim Dengate, Chief Financial Officer of Caressant-Care Nursing and Retirement Homes Limited, dated September 17, 2019 and received on September 19, 2019, including all supporting documentation and information.
- 2. Quotation titled "Caresant Care Courtland project" dated April 2, 2020, including calculations and engineering drawings, prepared by Unit Precast Concrete Products.
- 3. Design Brief, dated May 26, 2020, including calculations and engineering drawings, prepared by K. Smart Associates Limited.
- 4. Memorandum dated July 15, 2020 from David Harsch, K. Smart Associates Limited, to Nick Zambito, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.
- 5. Memorandum dated September 1, 2020 from David Harsch, K. Smart Associates Limited, to Nick Zambito, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

## Schedule B

## **Final Effluent Design Objectives**

## **Concentration Objectives**

Final Effluent	Averaging Calculator	Objective
Parameter		
CBOD5	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	10.0 mg/L
Total Suspended Solids	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	10.0 mg/L
Total Phosphorus	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	0.30 mg/L
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	2.00 mg/L (June 1 - Sept 30)
		3.00 mg/L (Oct 1 - May 31)
E. coli	Monthly Geometric Mean Density	*100 CFU/100 mL
pН	Single Sample Result	6.5 - 8.5 inclusive

\*If the MPN method is utilized for *E. coli* analysis the objective shall be 100 MPN/100 mL

## **Loading Objectives**

Final Effluent Parameter	Averaging Calculator	<b>Objective</b> (maximum unless otherwise indicated)
CBOD5	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.30 kg/d
Total Suspended Solids	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.30 kg/d
Total Phosphorus	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.009 kg/d
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.06 kg/d (June 1 - Sept 30) 0.09 kg/d (Oct 1 - May 31)

## Schedule C

## **Final Effluent Compliance Limits**

## **Concentration Limits**

Final Effluent	Averaging Calculator	Objective
Parameter		
CBOD5	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	15.0 mg/L
Total Suspended Solids	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	15.0 mg/L
Total Phosphorus	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	0.50 mg/L
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration	3.00 mg/L (June 1 - Sept 30)
		4.00 mg/L (Oct 1 - May 31)
E. coli	Monthly Geometric Mean Density	*150 CFU/100 mL
pН	Single Sample Result	6.0 - 9.0 inclusive

\*If the MPN method is utilized for *E. coli* analysis the limit shall be 150 MPN/100 mL

## Loading Limits

Final Effluent Parameter	Averaging Calculator	Limit (maximum unless otherwise indicated)
CBOD5	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.45 kg/d
Total Suspended Solids	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.45 kg/d
Total Phosphorus	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.015 kg/d
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Monthly Average Daily Effluent Loading	0.09 kg/d (June 1 - Sept 30) 0.12 kg/d (Oct 1 - May 31)

## Schedule D

## **Monitoring Program**

Influent - Influent sampling point (prior to the preliminary treatment system)

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency	
BOD5	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Suspended Solids	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Phosphorus	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
pH	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Temperature	8 hour composite	Monthly	

Parameters Sample Type		Minimum Frequency	
CBOD5	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Suspended Solids	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Phosphorus	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Nitrate as Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
Nitrite as Nitrogen	8 hour composite	Monthly	
E. coli	Grab	Monthly	
pH*	Grab	Monthly	
Temperature*	Grab	Monthly	
Un-ionized Ammonia**	As Calculated	Monthly	

\*pH and temperature of the Final Effluent shall be determined in the field at the time of sampling for Total Ammonia Nitrogen.

\*\*The concentration of un-ionized ammonia shall be calculated using the total ammonia concentration, pH and temperature using the methodology stipulated in "Ontario's Provincial Water Quality Objectives" dated July 1994, as amended.

## Schedule E

## **Limited Operational Flexibility**

## **Protocol for Pre-Authorized Modifications to Municipal Sewage Works**

## 1. General

- 1. Pre-authorized modifications are permitted only where Limited Operational Flexibility has already been granted in the Approval and only permitted to be made at the pumping stations and sewage treatment plant in the Works, subject to the conditions of the Approval.
- 2. Where there is a conflict between the types and scope of pre-authorized modifications listed in this document, and the Approval where Limited Operational Flexibility has been granted, the Approval shall take precedence.
- 3. The Owner shall consult the District Manager on any proposed modifications that may fall within the scope and intention of the Limited Operational Flexibility but is not listed explicitly or included as an example in this document.
- 4. The Owner shall ensure that any pre-authorized modifications will not:
  - a. adversely affect the hydraulic profile of the Sewage Treatment Plant or the performance of any upstream or downstream processes, both in terms of hydraulics and treatment performance;
  - b. result in new Overflow or Bypass locations.
  - c. result in a reduction in the required Peak Flow Rate of the treatment process or equipment as originally designed.

## 2. Modifications that do not require pre-authorization:

- 1. Sewage works that are exempt from Ministry approval requirements;
- 2. Modifications to the electrical system, instrumentation and control system.

# **3.** Pre-authorized modifications that do not require preparation of "Notice of Modification to Sewage Works"

- 1. Normal or emergency maintenance activities, such as repairs, renovations, refurbishments and replacements with Equivalent Equipment, or other improvements to an existing approved piece of equipment of a treatment process do not require pre-authorization. Examples of these activities are:
  - a. Repairing a piece of equipment and putting it back into operation, including replacement of minor

components such as belts, gear boxes, seals, bearings;

- b. Repairing a piece of equipment by replacing a major component of the equipment such as motor, with the same make and model or another with the same or very close power rating but the capacity of the pump or blower will still be essentially the same as originally designed and approved;
- c. Replacing the entire piece of equipment with Equivalent Equipment.
- 2. Improvements to equipment efficiency or treatment process control do not require pre-authorization. Examples of these activities are:
  - a. Adding variable frequency drive to pumps;
  - b. Adding on-line analyzer, dissolved oxygen probe, ORP probe, flow measurement or other process control device.

#### 4. Pre-Authorized Modifications that require preparation of "Notice of Modification to Sewage Works"

- 1. Pumping Stations
  - a. Replacement, realignment of existing sewers including manholes, valves, gates, weirs and associated appurtenances provided that the modifications will not add new influent source(s) or result in an increase in flow from existing sources as originally approved.
  - b. Extension or partition of wetwell to increase retention time for emergency response and improve station maintenance and pump operation;
  - c. Replacement or installation of inlet screens to the wetwell;
  - d. Replacement or installation of flowmeters, construction of station bypass;
  - e. Replacement, reconfiguration and modifications to pump suctions and discharge pipings including valve, gates, motors, variable frequency drives and associated appurtenances to maintain firm pumping capacity or modulate the pump rate provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head or an increase in the peak pumping rate of the pumping station as originally designed;
  - f. Replacement, realignment of existing forcemain(s) including valves, gates, and associated appurtenances provided that the modifications will not reduce the flow capacity or increase the total dynamic head and transient in the forcemain.
- 2. Sewage Treatment Plant
  - 1. Sewers and appurtenances

- a. Replacement, realignment of existing sewers (including pipes and channels), including manholes, valves, gates, weirs and associated appurtenances within the a sewage treatment plant, provided that the modifications will not add new influent source(s) or result in an increase in flow from existing sources as originally approved and that the modifications will remove hydraulic bottlenecks or improve the conveyance of sewage into and through the Works.
- 2. Flow Distribution Chambers/Splitters
  - a. Replacement or modification of existing flow distribution chamber/splitters or construction of new flow distribution chamber/splitters, including replacements or installation of sluice gates, weirs, valves for distribution of flows to the downstream process trains, provided that the modifications will not result in a change in flow distribution ratio to the downstream process trains as originally designed.
- 3. Imported Sewage Receiving Facility
  - a. Replacement or relocation of loading bays, connect/disconnect hook-up systems and unloading/transferring systems;
  - b. Replacement or relocation of screens, grit removal units and compactors;
  - c. Replacement or relocation of pumps, such as dosing pumps and transfer pumps, valves, piping and appurtenances;
  - d. Replacement or relocation of storage tanks/chambers and spill containment systems;
  - e. Replacement, relocation or installation of flow measurement and sampling equipment.
- 4. Preliminary Treatment System
  - a. Replacement of existing screens and grit removal units with equipment of the same or higher process performance technology, including where necessary replacement or upgrading of existing screenings dewatering washing compactors, hydrocyclones, grit classifiers, grit pumps, air blowers conveyor system, disposal bins and other ancillary equipment to the screening and grit removal processes.
  - b. Replacement of channel aeration systems, including air blowers, air supply main, air headers, air laterals, air distribution grids and diffusers.

- 5. Primary Treatment System
  - a. Replacement of existing sludge removal mechanism, including sludge chamber;
  - b. Replacement of scum removal mechanism, including scum chamber;
  - c. Replacement of primary sludge pumps, scum pumps, provided that: the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head that the primary sludge pump(s) and scum pump(s) are originally designed to handle.
- 6. Secondary Treatment System
  - 1. Biological Treatment
    - a. Conversion of complete mix aeration tank to plug-flow multi-pass aeration tank, including modifications to internal structural configuration;
    - b. Addition of inlet gates in multi-pass aeration tank for step-feed operation mode;
    - c. Partitioning of an anoxic/flip zone in the inlet of the aeration tank, including installation of submersible mixer(s);
    - d. Replacement of aeration system including air blowers, air supply main, air headers, air laterals, air distribution grids and diffusers, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm capacity or discharge pressure that the blowers are originally designed to supply or in the net oxygen transferred to the wastewater required for biological treatment as originally required.
  - 2. Secondary Sedimentation
    - a. Replacement of sludge removal mechanism, including sludge chamber;
    - b. Replacement of scum removal mechanism, including scum chamber;
    - c. Replacement of return activated sludge pump(s), waste activated sludge pump(s), scum pump(s), provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head that the activated sludge pump(s) and scum pump(s) are originally designed to handle.
- 7. Post-Secondary Treatment System
  - a. Replacement of filtration system with equipment of the same filtration technology, including feed pumps, backwash pumps, filter reject pumps, filtrate extract pumps, holding tanks associated with the pumping system, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the capacity of

the filtration system as originally designed.

- 8. Disinfection System
  - 1. UV Irradiation
    - a. Replacement of UV irradiation system, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the design capacity of the disinfection system or the radiation level as originally designed.
  - 2. Chlorination/Dechlorination and Ozonation Systems
    - a. Extension and reconfiguration of contact tank to increase retention time for effective disinfection and reduce dead zones and minimize short-circuiting;
    - b. Replacement of chemical storage tanks, provided that the tanks are provided with effective spill containment.
- 9. Supplementary Treatment Systems
  - 1. Chemical systems
    - a. Replacement, relocation or installation of chemical storage tanks for existing chemical systems only, provided that the tanks are sited with effective spill containment;
    - b. Replacement or installation of chemical dosing pumps provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm capacity that the dosing pumps are originally designed to handle.
    - c. Relocation and addition of chemical dosing point(s) including chemical feed pipes and valves and controls, to improve phosphorus removal efficiency;
    - d. Use of an alternate chemical provided that it is a non-proprietary product and is a commonly used alternative to the chemical approved in the Works, provided that the chemical storage tanks, chemical dosing pumps, feed pipes and controls are also upgraded, as necessary.
- 10. Sludge Management System
  - 1. Sludge Holding and Thickening
    - a. Replacement of sludge holding tanks, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, recirculation pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in the solids storage or handling capacities;
  - 2. Sludge Digestion

- a. Replacement of digesters, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, recirculation pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in the solids storage or handling capacities;
- b. replacement of sludge digester covers.
- 3. Sludge Dewatering and Disposal
  - a. Replacement of sludge dewatering equipment, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, cake pumps, loading pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in solids storage or handling capacities.
- 11. Standby Power System
  - 1. Replacement or installation of standby power system, including feed from alternate power grid, emergency power generator, fuel supply and storage systems, provided that the existing standby power generation capacity is not reduced.
- 12. Lagoons
  - a. installing baffles in lagoon provided that the operating capacity of the lagoon system is not reduced;
  - b. raise top elevation of lagoon berms to increase free-board;
  - c. replace interconnecting pipes and chambers between cells, provided that the process design operating sequence is not changed;
  - d. replace mechanical aerators, or replace mechanical aerators with diffused aeration system provided that the mixing and aeration capacity are not reduced;
  - e. removal of accumulated sludge and disposal to an approved location offsite.
- 3. Final Effluent Disposal Facilities
  - a. Replacement or realignment of the Final Effluent channel, sewer or forcemain, including manholes, valves and appurtenances from the end of the treatment train to the discharge outfall section, provided that the sewer conveys only effluent discharged from the Sewage Treatment Plant and that the replacement or re-aligned sewer has similar dimensions and performance criteria and is in the same or approximately the same location and that the hydraulic capacity will not be reduced.

This page contains an image of the form entitled "Notice of Modification to Sewage Works". A digital copy can be obtained from the District Manager.

Ontario	Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	Notice of	f Modification to Sewage Works
RETAIN COPY OF COMPLE IMPLEMENTATION DATE.	TED FORM AS PART C	OF THE ECA ON-	SITE PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED
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<ol> <li>The Owner has fulfilled all applica I hereby declare that to the best of n Name of Owner Representative (Print)</li> </ol>			contained in this form is complete and accurate
Owner Representative's Signature		Date (mm/dd/yy)	

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

- 1. Condition 1 regarding general provisions is imposed to ensure that the Works are constructed and operated in the manner in which they were described and upon which approval was granted.
- 2. Condition 2 regarding change of Owner and Operating Authority is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to ownership and Operating Authority of the 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.

- 3. Condition 3 regarding construction of Proposed Works 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, and to also ensure that the Works are constructed in accordance with the Approval and that record drawings of the Works "as constructed" are updated and maintained for future references.
- 4. Condition 4 regarding design objectives is imposed to establish non-enforceable design objectives to be used as a mechanism to trigger corrective action proactively and voluntarily before environmental impairment occurs.
- 5. Condition 5 regarding compliance limits is imposed to ensure that the Final Effluent discharged from the Works to the environment meets the Ministry's effluent quality requirements.
- 6. Condition 6 regarding operation and maintenance is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, funded, staffed and equipped such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is prevented. As well, the inclusion of a comprehensive operations manual governing all significant areas of operation, maintenance and repair is prepared, implemented and kept up-to-date by the Owner. Such a manual is an integral part of the operation of the Works. Its compilation and use should assist the Owner in staff training, in proper plant operation and in identifying and planning for contingencies during possible abnormal conditions. The manual will also act as a benchmark for Ministry staff when reviewing the Owner's operation of the Works.
- 7. Condition 7 regarding monitoring and recording 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 and compliance limits.
- 8. Condition 8 regarding Limited Operational Flexibility is included to ensure that the Works are constructed, maintained and operated in accordance with the Approval, and that any pre-approved modification will not negatively impact on the performance of the Works.
- 9. Condition 9 regarding reporting 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 this Approval.

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 <u>Rights, 1993</u>, 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	AND	The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3	<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
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## \* 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 13th day of October, 2020

Fariha Parnu.

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 Hamilton - District David Harsch, K. Smart Associates Limited