

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 8552-C5AL3J
Issue Date: January 12, 2022

Lahaie Lumber Ltd.
399 Highway 64 PO Box 38, Alban
French River, Ontario
P0M 1A0

Site Location: 399 Highway 64
399 Hwy 64
French River Municipality, District of Sudbury

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:

a sawmill, producing dimensional softwood lumber at the maximum daily rate of 66.1 cubic metres (28,000 BF) of green lumber, consisting of;

- logs receiving and handling operations;
- sawmill operations, such as debarking, sawing and trimming, performed in one (1) main saw building, passively venting into the atmosphere;
- bark and wood waste storage and handling operations;
- final product storage and shipping operation;

all in accordance with the Environmental Compliance Approval Application submitted by Lahaie Lumber Ltd., dated January 11, 2021 and signed by Shawn Lahaie; the Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report dated August 10, 2021 prepared by Tim Logan (O2E Inc.); the Acoustic Assessment Report dated December 22, 2021 prepared by Jakub Wrobel (O2E Inc.) and all supporting information associated with the application.

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

1. "Acoustic Assessment Report" means the report, prepared in accordance with Publication NPC-233 submitted in support of the application, that documents all sources of noise emissions and Noise Control Measures present at the Facility. "Acoustic Assessment Report" also means the Acoustic

Assessment Report prepared by O2E Inc., dated December 22, 2021 and signed by Jakub Wrobel;

2. "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;
3. "Acoustic Audit Report" means a report presenting the results of an Acoustic Audit, prepared in accordance with Publication NPC-233;
4. "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;
5. "Approval" means this Environmental Compliance Approval, including the application and supporting documentation listed above;
6. "BMPP" means the Best Management Practice Plan to control fugitive dust emissions from the site and described in the document entitled "Lahaie Lumber Limited - Sawmill Yard, 399 Highway 64, Alban ON, P0M 1A0, Fugitive Dust Best Management Practice Plan, Version 1.0" dated July 30, 2021 and prepared by O2E Inc.;
7. "Company" means Lahaie Lumber Ltd. operating as Lahaie Lumber Ltd. 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 a person appointed for the purpose of section 20.3 of the EPA by the Minister pursuant to section 5 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 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 Parks 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 emission from the Facility and/or Equipment including, but not limited to silencers, acoustic louvers, enclosures, absorptive treatment, plenums and barriers;
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; and
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.

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. 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;
 - iii. procedures for any record keeping activities relating to operation and maintenance of the Equipment;
 - iv. all appropriate measures to minimize noise and fugitive dust emissions from all potential sources;
- b. implement the recommendations of the Manual;
- c. retain, for a minimum of two (2) years from the date of their creation, all records on the maintenance, repair and inspection of the Equipment, and make these records available for review by staff of the Ministry upon request; and
- d. implement BMPP;
 - i. the Company shall update the BMPP as necessary or at the direction of the District Manager

2. NOISE

1. The Company shall, at all times, ensure that the noise emissions from the Facility comply with the limits set out in Ministry Publication NPC-300.
2. The Company shall restrict the operation of the Facility to the daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

3. ACOUSTIC AUDIT

1. 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 twelve (12) months after the date of this Approval.
2. The Director:
 - a. may not accept the results of the Acoustic Audit if the requirements of Publication NPC-233 were not followed;
 - b. may require the Company to repeat the Acoustic Audit if the results of the Acoustic Audit are

found unacceptable to the Director.

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

1. 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.

In addition, the Company is required 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.

2. Condition No. 2.1 is included to provide the minimum performance requirements considered necessary to prevent an adverse effect resulting from the operation of the Facility.
3. Condition No. 2.2 is included to ensure that operation of the Facility is not extended beyond the stated hours to prevent an adverse effect resulting from the operation of the Equipment.
4. Condition No. 3 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 this Approval can be verified.

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

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

The Notice should also include:

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

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

This Notice must be served upon:

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

AND

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

AND

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

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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 12th day of January, 2022



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

JK/
c: District Manager, MECP Sudbury
Tim Logan, O2E Inc.