

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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White Squirrel Investments Ltd. 72538 Ontario 21 St Bluewater, Ontario NOM 2T0

Site Location: White Squirrel Golf Club 72538 Ontario Highway 21 Municipality of Bluewater, County of Huron, Ontario N0M 2T0

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:

the establishment, usage and operation of proposed and existing non-municipal Works, for the treatment and subsurface disposal of sanitary sewage from the proposed and existing facilities at the above site location via -

- an expanded Sewage Treatment Plant (BNA iQ.MBBR[™] Wastewater Treatment System) and Final Effluent disposal facilities (for the Restaurant, Acorn Building, new Pro-shop and Banquet Hall),
- a proposed subsurface sewage disposal system (for the Halfway House), and
- an existing subsurface sewage disposal system (for the accessory shed),

as follows:

Classification of Sewage Treatment Plant (Prior to Completion of Construction of All Proposed Works): Secondary

Classification of Sewage Treatment Plant (Upon Completion of Construction of All Proposed Works): Secondary

Details of Service Area Covered by Sewage Treatment Plant:

• Type of Occupancy: Commercial

• Type and Number of Units:

- Existing Restaurant Building with 146 seats in the lounge area and 49 seats in the covered patio;
- Existing Acorn Building to be converted to a bar with 75 seats in the lounge area and 125 seats in the outdoor patio area (Phase 1 development);
- Proposed Pro-shop Building with 186 square metres of floor space and a maximum of 10 employees (Phase 1 development); and
- Proposed Banquet Hall with 200 seats (Phase 2 development).

Design Capacity of Sewage Treatment Plant:

Design Capacity with All Treatment Trains in Operation	Prior to Completion of Construction of All Proposed Works	Upon Completion of Construction of All Proposed Works
Maximum Daily Flow	10,000 litres per day	49,200 litres per day (Upon completion of Phase 2 development)

Influent

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

PROPOSED WORKS

Oil & Grease Interceptor

• one (1) in-ground 3,785 litre (1,000 US gallon) oil & grease interceptor (Zurn Proceptor GMC 1000 or Equivalent Equipment), located immediately east of the existing Restaurant Building, receiving raw sewage from the Restaurant kitchen and discharging effluent via gravity to the Equalization Tank (EQT) as described below;

Sewage Treatment Plant - Expanded Moving Bed Biofilm Reactor (BNA iQ.MBBR[™]) Wastewater Treatment System

Equalization Tank (EQT)

• One (1) in-ground precast concrete Equalization Tank (EQT) converted from an existing sludge storage tank, having an approximate working volume of 30 cubic metres, equipped with a liquid

level control system and two (2) submersible pumps (one duty, one standby), receiving sewage from the proposed and existing on-site facilities identified above, discharging effluent via a forcemain to the proposed Sludge Storage Tank (SS1) described below;

Influent Flow Measurement and Sampling Point

- Influent flow measurement via pump run time at the Equalization Tank (EQT);
- Sampling of Influent from the Equalization Tank (EQT);

Primary Treatment System

- One (1) in-ground precast concrete Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1), having an approximate working volume of 30.3 cubic metres, receiving effluent from the Equalization Tank (EQT) described above, nitrified effluent recycle flow from Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2) described below, as well as sludge from the proposed Intermediate Clarifier (IC) and existing Second Clarifier (SC) described below, discharging effluent by gravity to the proposed Sludge Storage Tank 2 (SS2) described below;
- One (1) in-ground precast concrete Sludge Storage Tank 2 (SS2), having an approximate working volume of 30.3 cubic metres, receiving effluent by gravity from Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1) described above, discharging effluent by gravity to the Primary Clarifier Tank (PC) described below;
- One (1) in-ground precast concrete Primary Clarifier Tank (PC), having an approximate working volume of 19.0 cubic metres and dimensions of approximately 4.78 metres by 2.33 metres by 1.73 metres (H), receiving effluent from Sludge Storage Tank 2 (SS2) described above, discharging effluent by gravity to the the Aerobic Bioreactor 1 (BR1) described below;
- Sludge accumulated in the Sludge Storage Tanks 1 & 2 (SS1 & SS2) and Primary Clarifier Tank (PC) shall be periodically removed for off-site disposal at an approved receiving facility;

Secondary Treatment System

- One (1) in-ground Aerobic Bioreactor 1 (BR1), having an approximate working volume of 23.5 cubic metres, equipped with fine bubble diffusers installed longitudinally on one side of the reactor and one (1) blower rated at 100 normal cubic metres per hour, receiving effluent from Sludge Storage Tank 2 (SS2) and discharging effluent by gravity to the Intermediate Clarifier (IC) as described below;
 - Proposed Aerobic Bioreactor 1 (BR1) and existing Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2) described below under "Existing Works" shall contain a combined volume of 21.4 cubic metres of engineered plastic carrier media providing 10,700 square metres of media surface area;
- One (1) Intermediate Clarifier (IC), having a specified surface area of approximately 11.2 square metres with a hopper bottom, an approximate working capacity of 16.2 cubic metres and overall dimensions of approximately 4.78 metres by 2.33 metres by 1.73 metres (H), equipped with a sludge

withdrawal pump and a surface skimmer pump that discharge sludge into Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1), receiving effluent from Aerobic Bioreactor 1 (BR1) and discharging by gravity to the existing Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2) described below under Existing Works;

Final Effluent Flow Measurement and Sampling Point

- Final Effluent flow measurement via pump run time at the existing Effluent Pump Tank (EPT);
- Sampling of Final Effluent from the existing Effluent Pump Tank (EPT) prior to discharge to the shallow buried trench dispersal bed;

Final Effluent Disposal Facilities

Expanded Shallow Buried Trench Dispersal Bed

Q = 49,200 litres per day

• One (1) raised shallow buried trench disposal bed (expanded from the existing bed), consisting of 1,827 metres of 32 millimetre diameter pressurized distribution piping constructed in nine (9) cells (including two (2) existing cells, six (6) proposed cells for Phase 1 development and one (1) proposed cell for Phase 2 development), with each cell having seven (7) runs of 29.0 metre long distribution piping spaced 2.0 metres apart, complete with 3.0 millimetre diameter orifices throughout the length of the run spaced 1.2 metres apart with every third orifice facing down; the distribution piping network in each cell is to be covered with Infiltrator System Quick 4 Equalizer 24 HD chambers (or Equivalent Equipment), overlying a minimum 900 millimetre thick layer of imported sand with a percolation rate (T) of 5 to 10 minutes per centimetre, complete with a 250 millimetre thick sand mantle extending 15 metres beyond the distribution area in the west direction, all to be overlain by 200 millimetre thick topsoil to the design finish grade elevation;

Halfway House Subsurface Sewage Disposal System

Q = 1,510 Litres per Day

Septic Tank

• One (1) two-compartment septic tank with a capacity of 4,500 litres, equipped with an OBC approved effluent filter, receiving raw sewage by gravity from the proposed Halfway House and discharging by gravity to the filter bed as described below;

Filter Bed

• One (1) filter bed having an effective area of 25 square metres (5 metres x 5 metres), consisting of five (5) runs of 4 metre long 75 millimetre diameter perforated distribution piping spaced at 1.0 metres apart, centre to centre, within a 300 millimetre thick stone layer, overlying a 1,000 millimetre deep filter sand layer meeting the grading requirements as per the OBC, and having a base contact area of 90 square metres (9 metres x 10 metres) between the filter medium and the underlying soil;

EXISTING WORKS

Sewage Treatment Plant - BNA iQ.MBBR[™] Wastewater Treatment System (Prior to Expansion)

Secondary Treatment System

- One (1) in-ground Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2), having an approximate working volume of 21.9 cubic metres, equipped with fine bubble diffusers installed longitudinally on one side of the reactor, one (1) blower rated at 100 normal cubic metres per hour and one (1) effluent recirculation pump that discharges nitrified effluent recycle flow from Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2) to Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1), receiving effluent from the proposed Intermediate Clarifier (IC) as described above and discharging effluent by gravity to the Secondary Clarifier (SC) as described below;
- One (1) Secondary Clarifier (SC), having a specified surface area of approximately 5.7 square metres with a hopper bottom, an approximate working capacity of 6.1 cubic metres and overall dimensions of approximately 3.07 metres by 1.85 metres by 1.63 metres (H), equipped with a sludge withdrawal pump and a surface skimmer pump that discharge sludge into Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1), receiving effluent from Aerobic Bioreactor 2 (BR2), discharging by gravity to the Effluent Pump Tank (EPT) described below;

Effluent Pump Tank (EPT)

• One (1) Effluent Pump Tank (EPT), having an approximate working volume of 11.2 cubic metres, equipped with a liquid level control system with high level visual/audible alarms and two (2) submersible effluent pumps (one duty, one standby) each rated for a design flow of 292 litres per minute over a total dynamic head of 21.2 metres, receiving effluent from the Secondary Clarifier (SC) and discharging via twinned 75 millimetre diameter to the expanded shallow buried trench disposal bed described above under Proposed Works;

Accessory Shed Subsurface Sewage Disposal System

Q = 1,250 Litres per Day

Anaerobic Digester

• One (1) Anaerobic Digester with a working volume of 3,021 litres, receiving raw sewage from the accessory shed by gravity and discharging to the Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit as described below;

Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit

• One (1) Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit (Model 16) with 2.2 cubic metre filter media volume, complete with an internal pump chamber, discharging to the Type A dispersal bed as described below for final disposal;

Final Effluent Flow Measurement and Sampling Point

- Final Effluent flow measurement via pump run time at the existing Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit internal pump chamber described above;
- Sampling of Final Effluent from the existing Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit internal pump chamber prior to discharge to the Type A dispersal bed described below;

Type A Dispersal Bed

• One (1) Type A dispersal bed, located immediately north of the accessory shed, having a stone layer with an area of 16.7 square metres (4.2 metres by 4.0 metres) and a thickness of 275 millimetres, protected by permeable geo-textile fabric, complete with six (6) runs of 2.8 metre long 75 millimetre diameter perforated distribution piping spaced 1.2 metres apart, centre to centre, in the stone layer, overlying a sand layer having an area of 156.3 square metres (20.0 metres by 7.8 metres) and a thickness of 300 to 600 millimetres across the entire bed;

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 aforementioned Works in accordance with this Approval, in the context of process performance and general principles of wastewater engineering only;

all in accordance with the supporting documentation submitted to the Ministry as listed in the **Schedule A** of this Approval.

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

- 1. "Annual 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 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. "CBOD5" means five day carbonaceous (nitrification inhibited) biochemical oxygen demand measured in an unfiltered sample;
- 5. "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;
- 6. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry where the Works is geographically located;

- 7. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;
- 8. "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;
- 9. "Existing Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that have been constructed previously;
- 10. "Final Effluent" means effluent that is discharged to the environment through the approved effluent disposal facilities;
- 11. "Grab Sample" or "Grab" 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;
- 12. "Influent" means flows to the Sewage Treatment Plant from the collection system;
- 13. "Licensed Engineering Practitioner" means a person who holds a licence, limited licence or temporary licence under the *Professional Engineers Act,* R.S.O. 1990, c. P.28;
- 14. "Maximum Daily 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;
- 15. "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;
- 16. "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;
- 17. "OBC" means the Ontario Building Code, Ontario Regulation 332/12 (Building Code) as amended to January 1, 2015, made under the *Building Code Act*, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23;
- 18. "Operating Agency" 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;
- 19. "Owner" means White Squirrel Investments Ltd., including any successors and assignees;
- 20. "OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40;
- 21. "Preliminary Treatment System" means all facilities in the Sewage Treatment Plant associated with screening and grit removal;
- 22. "Primary Treatment System" means all facilities in the Sewage Treatment Plant associated with the primary sedimentation unit process and includes chemically enhanced primary treatment;
- 23. "Proposed Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that are under construction

or to be constructed;

- 24. "Secondary Treatment System" means all facilities in the Sewage Treatment Plant associated with biological treatment, secondary sedimentation and phosphorus removal unit processes;
- 25. "Sewage Treatment Plant" means all the facilities related to sewage treatment within the sewage treatment plant site excluding the Final Effluent disposal facilities;
- 26. "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;
- 27. "Works" means the approved sewage works, and includes Proposed Works and Existing Works.

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 terms and conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
- 2. The Owner shall design, construct, operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the conditions of this Approval.
- 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.

2. CHANGE OF OWNER AND OPERATING AGENCY

- 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* shall be included in the notification;
 - d. change of name of the 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.

- 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 the Operating Agency;
 - b. change of the Operating Agency, including address of the new Operating Agency.
- 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 number of this Approval.

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.
- 5. The Owner shall ensure that the treatment technologies are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation manual.
- 6. The Owner shall ensure that the Works are constructed such that minimum horizontal clearance distances as specified in the OBC are satisfied.
- 7. The Owner shall ensure that an imported soil that is required for construction of any subsurface disposal bed as per this Approval is tested and verified by the Licensed Engineering Practitioner for the

percolation time (T) prior to delivering to the site location and the written records are kept at the site.

4. DESIGN OBJECTIVES

1. The Owner shall design and undertake everything practicable to operate the expanded Sewage Treatment Plant and the existing Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit (servicing the accessory shed) in accordance with the Final Effluent parameters design objectives listed in the table(s) included in **Schedule B**.

5. 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 staffing and training, including training in all procedures and other requirements of this Approval and the OWRA and relevant regulations made under the OWRA, 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 control and countermeasures plan, consisting of contingency plans and procedures for dealing with equipment breakdowns, potential spills and any other abnormal situations, including notification of the Spills Action Centre (SAC) and District Manager;
 - g. procedures for receiving, responding and recording public complaints, including recording any followup actions taken.
- 3. The Owner shall maintain an up to date operations manual and make the manual readily accessible for reference at the Works for the operational life of the Works. Upon request, the Owner shall make the manual available to Ministry staff.

- 4. The Owner shall ensure that the Operating Agency fulfills the requirements under O. Reg. 129/04, as amended for the Works, including the classification of facilities, licensing of operators and operating standards.
- 5. The Owner shall maintain a logbook to record the results of all inspections, repair and maintenance undertaken, calibrations, monitoring and spill response or contingency measures undertaken and shall make the logbook available for inspection by Ministry staff. The logbook shall include the following:
 - a. the name of the operator making the entry; and
 - b. the date and results of each inspection, repair, maintenance, calibration, monitoring, spill response and contingency measure.
- 6. The Owner shall, upon the construction, prepare and make available for inspection by Ministry staff, a maintenance agreement with the manufacturer for the treatment process/technology. The maintenance agreement must be retained at the site and kept current for the operational life of the Works.
- 7. The Owner shall ensure that grass-cutting is maintained regularly over the subsurface disposal bed(s), and that adequate steps are taken to ensure that the area of the underground works is protected from vehicle traffic.
- 8. The Owner shall visually inspect the general area where Works are located for break-out once every month during the operating season.
- 9. In the event a break-out is observed from a subsurface disposal bed, the Owner shall do the following:
 - a. sewage discharge to that subsurface disposal system shall be discontinued;
 - b. the incident shall be **immediately** reported verbally to the Spills Action Centre (SAC) at (416) 325-3000 or 1-800-268-6060;
 - c. submit a written report to the District Manager within **one (1) week** of the break-out;
 - d. access to the break-out area shall be restricted until remedial actions are complete;
 - e. during the time remedial actions are taking place the sewage generated at the site shall not be allowed to discharge to the environment; and
 - f. sewage generated at the site shall be safely collected and disposed of through a licensed waste hauler to an approved sewage disposal site.
- 10. The Owner shall ensure that the septic tank, Anaerobic Digester and Sludge Storage Tanks (SS1 & SS2) forming part of the Works be inspected **at least twice per year** by a qualified person, and the sewage sludge accumulated in the said tanks be periodically withdrawn at the frequency required to maintain efficiency of the treatment system. The effluent filters in the septic tank shall be cleaned out at least once

every six (6) months, when the tank is pumped out, or as determined by the Operating Agency, whichever comes first.

- 11. The Owner shall have a valid written agreement with a hauler who is in possession of a Waste Management Systems Approval, for the treatment and disposal of the sludge generated from the Works, at all times during operation of the Works.
- 12. The Owner shall ensure the oil & grease interceptors be cleaned out **at least once per year**, **or more frequently** as determined by the Works operator, for removal of fats, oil and grease from the kitchen wastewater.
- The Owner shall ensure that flow of treated effluent discharged into the expanded shallow buried trench disposal bed does not exceed 42,000 litres per day after completion of the Phase 1 development and 49,200 litres per day after completion of the Phase 2 development.
- 14. The Owner shall ensure that flow of treated effluent discharged into the Type A dispersal bed servicing the existing accessory shed does not exceed **1,250 litres per day**.
- 15. 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 operation and maintenance activities required by this Approval.

6. 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 C** 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 subsection 2.b.
 - c. definitions for frequency:
 - i. Monthly means once every month;
 - ii. Quarterly means once every three months;
 - iii. Annually means once every year;
 - d. a schedule of the day of the week/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 week 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 2.a, 2.b and 2.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 via pump run time at the Equalization Tank (EQT);
 - b. Final Effluent discharged from the Sewage Treatment Plant via pump run time at the Effluent Pump Tank (EPT);
 - c. Final Effluent discharged into the Type A dispersal bed servicing the existing accessory shed via pump run time at the existing Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit internal pump chamber;
- 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.

7. REPORTING

- In addition to the obligations under Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98 (Classification and Exemption of Spills and Reporting of Discharges) made under the EPA, the Owner shall, within fifteen (15) days of the occurrence of any reportable spill as provided in Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98, 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 a schedule of implementation.
- 2. The Owner shall, upon request, make all manuals, plans, records, data, procedures and supporting documentation available to Ministry staff.
- 3. The Owner shall prepare performance reports on a calendar year basis and submit to the District

Manager in an electronic format 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 flow data and results achieved in not exceeding the Maximum Daily Flow discharged into the expanded shallow buried trench disposal bed and existing Type A dispersal bed;
- c. a summary and interpretation of all Final Effluent monitoring data, including concentration, flow rates, and a comparison to the design objectives in this Approval, including an overview of the success and adequacy of the Works;
- d. a summary of any deviation from the monitoring schedule and reasons for the current reporting year and a schedule for the next reporting year;
- e. a summary of all operating issues encountered and corrective actions taken;
- f. 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;
- g. a summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken;
- h. 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;
- i. 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;
- j. 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;
- k. a summary of any complaints received and any steps taken to address the complaints;
- 1. a summary of all emergencies, other situations outside Normal Operating Conditions and spills within the meaning of Part X of EPA and abnormal discharge events;
- m. 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;

n. any other information the District Manager requires from time to time.

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 Agency is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to ownership and Operating Agency 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 that prior to the commencement of construction of the portion of the Works that are approved in principle only, the Director will have the opportunity to review detailed design drawings, specifications and an engineer's report containing detailed design calculations for that portion of the Works, to determine capability to comply with the Ministry's requirements stipulated in the terms and conditions of the Approval, and 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 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.
- 6. Condition 6 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.
- 7. Condition 7 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.

Schedule A

- Application for Environmental Compliance Approval dated January 26, 2022 and received on June 21, 2022, submitted by MTE Consultants Inc. on behalf of White Squirrel Investments Ltd. for the Proposed and Existing Works servicing existing and Phases 1 & 2 facilities, including the design report, final plans, specifications and other supporting information.
- 2. Technical memorandum re. White Squirrel Golf Club Wastewater System ECA Ref# 0058-CFLH7C, dated October 27, 2022 and prepared by Dave Wilhelm, P.Eng. of MTE Consultants Inc.

Schedule B

Final Effluent Design Objectives (Expanded BNA iQ.MBBRTM Wastewater Treatment System)

Final Effluent Parameter	Averaging Calculator	Objective (milligrams per litre unless otherwise indicated)
CBOD5	Annual Average Effluent Concentration	10
Total Suspended Solids	Annual Average Effluent Concentration	10
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) (Total Ammonia Nitrogen, Nitrate as Nitrogen and Nitrite as Nitrogen)	Annual Average Effluent Concentration	20
pH	Single Sample Result	between 6.5 - 8.5 inclusive

Final Effluent Design Objectives (Existing Waterloo Biofilter Treatment Unit)

Final Effluent Parameter	Averaging Calculator	Objective (milligrams per litre unless otherwise indicated)
CBOD5	Annual Average Effluent Concentration	10
Total Suspended Solids	Annual Average Effluent Concentration	10

Schedule C

Monitoring Program

Influent - Influent sampling point (Page 3)

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency
BOD5	Grab	Monthly
Total Suspended Solids	Grab	Monthly
Total Phosphorus	Grab	Monthly
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	Grab	Monthly

Final Effluent - Final Effluent sampling point (Page 4)

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency
CBOD5	Grab	Monthly
Total Suspended Solids	Grab	Monthly
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Grab	Monthly
Nitrate as Nitrogen	Grab	Monthly
Nitrite as Nitrogen	Grab	Monthly
pH*	Grab/Probe/Analyzer	Monthly
Temperature*	Grab/Probe/Analyzer	Monthly

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

Final Effluent - Final Effluent sampling point (Page 6)

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency
CBOD5	Grab	Quarterly
Total Suspended Solids	Grab	Quarterly

Sludge/Biosolids – Sludge Storage Tank 1 (SS1), MBBR Treatment System

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency
Total Solids	Grab	Annually
Total Phosphorus	Grab	Annually
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Grab	Annually
Nitrate Nitrogen	Grab	Annually
Metal Scan	Grab	Annually
- Arsenic		
- Cadmium		
- Cobalt		
- Chromium		
- Copper		
- Lead		
- Mercury		
- Molybdenum		
- Nickel		
- Potassium		
- Selenium		
- Zinc		

In accordance with Section 139 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, you may by written notice served upon me, the Ontario Land 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, within 15 days after receipt of this notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the *Environmental Protection Act* provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("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:

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 Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3	and	Part II.1 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act</i> 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 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 www.olt.gov.on.ca

The Director appointed for the nurposes of

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 10th day of November, 2022

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, DWECD, MECP Owen Sound District Office Dave Wilhelm, P.Eng., MTE Consultant Inc.