

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 3635-CL7SNT

Issue Date: December 6, 2022

GFL Environmental Inc.
100 New Park Pl, No. 500
Vaughan, Ontario
L4K 0H9

Site Location: 150 Yates Avenue
Sault Ste. Marie City, District of Algoma

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 hazardous waste, non-hazardous waste and liquid industrial waste transfer and processing facility consisting of the following processes and equipment:

- three (3) aboveground liquid waste storage tanks (Source ID: ST1 to ST3), each having a maximum storage capacity of 60,000 litres;
- eight (8) Bi-level tanks for storage of wastewater (Source ID: BLT1 to BLT8), each having a maximum storage capacity of 79,494 litres ;
- two (2) mixing bins (Source ID: MB1 and MB2), each having a maximum storage capacity of 4,500 litres;
- one (1) sludge pit (Source ID: SP) having a maximum storage capacity of 50 tonnes; and
- four (4) storage trailers (Source ID: STR1 to STR4) with containment pads with total maximum storage capacity of 44,000 litres;

all in accordance with the application for an Approval submitted by GFL Environmental Inc., dated September 9, 2021, signed by Damian Rodriguez, and the supporting information, including the Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report, submitted by Hemmera Envirochem Inc., dated September 13, 2021 and signed by Damian Rodriguez and Lucas Neil, and the additional air related information sent by Lucas Neil by email dated November 24, 2022; the Secondary Noise Screening Method form prepared by Hemmera Envirochem Inc., dated September 1, 2021 and signed by Lucas Neil, and the additional noise related information sent by Lucas Neil on January 13, 2022, January 19, 2022, February 1, 2022 and February 7, 2022.

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

1. "Approval" means this Environmental Compliance Approval, including the application and

supporting documentation listed above;

2. "Company" means GFL Environmental Inc., 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;
3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry, where the Facility is geographically located;
4. "EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;
5. "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;
6. "Facility" means the entire operation located on the property where the Equipment is located;
7. "Manual" means a document or a set of documents that provide written instructions to staff of the Company;
8. "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;
9. "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;
10. "Truck(s)" means trucks transporting waste to and/or from the Facility.

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, before commencement of operation of the Equipment, 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, including spill clean-up procedures;
 - iii. procedures for any record keeping activities relating to operation and maintenance of the Equipment; and
 - iv. procedures to minimize noise, dust and odorous emissions from all potential sources.
- b. implement the recommendations of the Manual.

2. COMPLAINT MANAGEMENT

1. A designated representative of the Company shall be available to receive public complaints caused by the operations at the Facility, twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
2. If at any time, the Company receives any environmental complaints from the public regarding the operation of the Facility, the Company shall respond to these complaints according to the following procedures:
 - a. Step 1: Receipt of Complaint - The Company shall record each complaint electronically or in a log book. The information recorded shall include the following:
 - i. the name, address and the telephone number (or contact information) of the complainant, if known;
 - ii. the date and time of the complaint; and
 - iii. details of the complaint, including the description and duration of the incident;
 - b. Step 2: Notification of Complaint - After the complaint has been received by the Company, the Company shall immediately notify, either the District Manager by phone during office hours or the Ministry's Spills Action Centre at 1-800-268-6060 after office hours;
 - c. Step 3: Investigation of Complaint - The Company shall immediately initiate investigation of the complaint. The investigation shall include, as a minimum, the following:
 - i. determination of the activities undertaken in the Facility at the time of the complaint;
 - ii. meteorological conditions including, but not limited to the ambient temperature, approximate wind speed and its direction, at the time of the complaint;
 - iii. location of the person who submitted the complaint, if known, at the time of the incident; and
 - iv. determination if the complaint is attributed to activities being undertaken at the Facility and if so, determination of all the possible cause(s) of the complaint;

- d. Step 4: Corrective Action - The Company shall determine the remedial action(s) to address the cause(s) of the complaint and implement the remedial action(s) to eliminate the cause(s) of the complaint, as soon as practicably possible, and to prevent a similar occurrence in the future;
- e. Step 5: Written Response - The Company shall forward a formal reply to the complainant, if known, and to the District Manager within one (1) week after the receipt of the complaint. The response shall include the results of the investigation of the complaint, the action(s) taken or planned to be taken to address the cause(s) of the complaint, and if follow-up response would be provided; and
- f. Step 6: Recording - All of the information collected and actions taken must be recorded in a report to be retained on site.

3. RECORD RETENTION

- 1. The Company 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 recording activities required by this Approval, and make these records available for review by staff of the Ministry upon request. The Company shall retain:
 - a. all records on the maintenance, repair and inspection of the Equipment; and
 - b. all records related to environmental complaints in condition 2 of this Approval.

4. 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 limit Truck arrivals and departures during the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in accordance with the following:
 - a. a maximum of five (5) Trucks per sixty (60) minute period.
- 3. The Company shall limit Truck arrivals and departures during the hours of 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. in accordance with the following:
 - a. a maximum of one (1) Truck per sixty (60) minute period.

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.

2. Condition No. 2 is included to require the Company to respond to any environmental complaints regarding the operation of the Equipment, according to a procedure that includes methods for preventing recurrence of similar incidents and a requirement to prepare and retain a written report.
3. Condition No. 3 is included to require the Company 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.
4. Condition No. 4 is included to provide the minimum performance requirements considered necessary to prevent an adverse effect resulting from the operation of the Facility.

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 will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the *Environmental Protection Act* provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("the Notice") 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

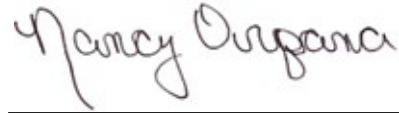
The Director appointed for the purposes of
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

*** 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**

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 6th day of December, 2022



Nancy E Orpana, P.Eng.
Director
appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the
Environmental Protection Act

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- c: Area Manager, MECP Sault Ste. Marie
- c: District Manager, MECP Sudbury
- Lucas Neil, Hemmera Envirochem Inc.