

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

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 8850-CLHJM7 Issue Date: January 5, 2023

Rideau Coast Holdings Ltd. 552 Slack Rd Athens, Ontario K0E 1B0

Site Location: 137 Haskins Point Road Seeley's Bay Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands, Ontario K0H 2N0

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, use and operation of the proposed Works for the storage of domestic sewage and disposal at a Ministry approved sewage disposal facility, rated at a maximum design daily sanitary sewage flow of **13,300 litres per day** to service a proposed 2-bedroom dwelling, two (2) 2-bedroom tourist commercial dwellings, seven (7) 1-bedroom tourist commercial dwellings, and a commercial building located at the above noted Site Location, and consisting of the following:

one (1) concrete pre-cast holding tank with a capacity of 45,000 litres receiving effluent from the 2-bedroom dwelling, a 2-bedroom tourist commercial dwelling, a 1-bedroom tourist commercial dwelling, and the commercial building via a 100 millimetre diameter PVC forcemain, complete with access risers to grade and vent, equipped with a high liquid level alarm complete with float switch assembly, alarm enclosure, and power supply;

one (1) concrete pre-cast holding tank with a capacity of 45,000 litres receiving effluent from a 2-bedroom tourist commercial dwelling and three (3) 1-bedroom tourist commercial dwellings via a 100 millimetre diameter PVC forcemain, complete with access risers to grade and vent, equipped with a high liquid level alarm complete with float switch assembly, alarm enclosure, and power supply;

one (1) concrete pre-cast holding tank with a capacity of 30,000 litres, receiving effluent from three (3) 1-bedroom tourist commercial dwellings via a 100 millimetre diameter PVC forcemain, complete with access risers to grade and vent, equipped with a high liquid level alarm complete with float switch assembly, alarm enclosure, and power supply;

all other controls, electrical equipment, instrumentation, piping, pumps, valves and appurtenances essential for the proper operation of the aforementioned sewage works;

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. "Approval" means this entire document and any schedules attached to it, and the application;
- 2. "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;
- 3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the Kingston District Office;
- 4. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
- 5. "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;
- 6. "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;
- 7. "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;
- 8. "Owner" means Rideau Coast Holdings Ltd. and its successors and assignees;
- 9. "OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended;
- 10. "Proposed Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that are under construction or to be constructed;
- 11. "Rated Capacity" means design daily sanitary sewage flow for which the Works are approved to handle;
- 12. "Works" means the approved sewage works, and includes Proposed 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. EXPIRY OF APPROVAL

1. The approval issued by this Approval will cease to apply to those parts of the Works which have not been constructed within **five (5) years** of the date of this Approval.

3. CHANGE OF OWNER

- 1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes within 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.B17 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. C39 shall be included in the notification.
- 2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, other than a change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify in writing the succeeding owner of the existence of this Approval, and a copy of such notice shall be forwarded to the District Manager and the Director.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition refer to the number of this Approval.

4. CONSTRUCTION

1. The Owner shall ensure that the construction of the Works is supervised by a Licensed Engineering Practitioner.

- 2. The Owner shall ensure that the Works are constructed such that minimum horizontal clearance distances as specified in the OBC are satisfied.
- 3. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a statement, certified by a Licensed Engineering Practitioner, that the Works are constructed in accordance with this Approval, and upon request, the Owner shall make the written statement available for inspection by Ministry staff.
- 4. Within 30 days of constructing the Works, the Owner shall submit a copy of the written statement required by Condition 4.3 to the District Manager.
- 5. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a set of as-built drawings showing the Works "as constructed". "As-built" drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be retained at the Site Location for the operational life of the Works and shall be made available for inspection by Ministry staff.
- 6. Within 30 days of constructing the Works, the Owner shall submit a copy of the as-built drawings to the District Manager.

5. OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND RECORDING

- 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.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that all and only domestic wastewater is directed to the approved sewage holding tanks.
- 3. The Owner shall make all necessary investigations, take all necessary steps and obtain all necessary approvals so as to ensure that the physical structure, siting and operations of the sewage Works do not constitute a safety or health hazard to the general public.
- 4. The Owner shall maintain and service the Works in such a manner that leaks, overflows and spills are prevented, and shall use best efforts to immediately identify and clean up all spills.
- 5. The Owner shall ensure that during the operating season, the holding tank is inspected on a weekly (once every week) basis.
- 6. The Owner shall have a valid agreement with a hauler who is in possession of an appropriate waste management system approval at all times during the operation of Works, and shall keep a copy of the valid agreement at the Site Location.
- 7. In the event a leak, overflow or a spill is observed from any component of the holding tank, the Owner shall do the following:
 - 1. immediately discontinue the discharge of sewage to the holding tank;

- 2. verbally report the incident forthwith to the Spills Action Centre (SAC) at (416) 325-3000 or 1-800-268-6060;
- 3. immediately verbally report the incident to the District Manager, followed by within seven (7) days of the leak, overflow, spill or break-out, submit a written report to the District Manager;
- 4. ensure that during the time remedial actions are taking place the sewage generated at the Site Location shall not be allowed to discharge to a surface water body or to the environment; and
- 5. ensure sewage generated at the Site Location is safely collected and disposed off through a licensed waste hauler to an approved waste disposal site.
- 8. The Owner shall maintain a logbook and keep the logbook at the Site Location and make it available for inspection by the Ministry staff. The logbook shall include the following:
 - 1. the results of operation and maintenance activities specified in the above sub-clauses;
 - 2. the date, time and volume of the sewage pump out from the holding tank;
 - 3. observances (including location) of any leaks, overflows and/or spills at or around any component of the Works, including recommendations for remedial action and the actions taken to mitigate the situation.
- 9. 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. REPORTING

- 1. **One (1) week** prior to the start up of the operation of the Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start up date.
- 2. 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.

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

1. Condition 1 is imposed to ensure that the Works are built and operated in the manner in which they were described for review and upon which approval was granted. This condition is also included to emphasize the precedence of Conditions in the Approval and the practice that the Approval is based on the most current

document, if several conflicting documents are submitted for review. The condition also advises the Owners their responsibility to notify any person they authorized to carry out work pursuant to this Approval the existence of this Approval.

- 2. Condition 2 is included to ensure that, when the Works are constructed, the Works will meet the standards that apply at the time of construction to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.
- 3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to the approved 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.
- 4. Condition 4 is included to ensure that the Works are constructed, and may be operated and maintained such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is prevented.
- 5. Condition 5 is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, and equipped such that the environment is protected.
- 6. Condition 6 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 all the terms and conditions outlined in this Approval, so that the Ministry can work with the Owner in resolving any problems in a timely manner.

Schedule A

1. Environmental Compliance Approval Application for Municipal and Private Sewage Works submitted and signed by Tyler Verkerk of Rideau Coast Holdings Ltd., dated May 26, 2022, and all supporting documentation and information.

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:

* 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 5th day of January, 2023

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Fariha Pannu, P.Eng. Director appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the

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