

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 9791-CULHX5
Issue Date: August 29, 2023

Enviro-Tex Products Inc.
Post Office Box 388
Paris, Ontario N3L 3T5

Site Location: 6 Adams Steet
Paris, Ontario N3L 3X4
Brantford City, County of Brant

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 mineral wool greenhouse growing media manufacturing facility consisting of the following processes and equipment:

- one (1) baghouse dust collector to control emissions from the mineral wool block manufacturing line, complete with felted polyester filter material having a filtering area of 45.5 square metres, discharging inside the facility building;
- two (2) baghouse dust collectors to control emissions from the mineral wool slab manufacturing line, complete with felted polyester filter material having a filtering area of 10.5 square metres each, discharging inside the facility building;
- one (1) baghouse dust collector to control emissions from the mineral wool plug/mat manufacturing line, complete with felted polyester filter material having a filtering area of 10.5 square metres, discharging inside the facility building;
- one (1) building general exhaust fan, discharging to the air at a volumetric flow rate of 7.80 cubic metres per second through a stack having an exit diameter of 0.61 metre, extending 10.6 metres above grade and 4.5 metres above the roof; and
- eight (8) natural gas-fired comfort heating equipment having a maximum total thermal input of 242,664 kilojoules per hour;

all in accordance with the application for an Approval submitted by Enviro-Tex Products Inc., dated September 30, 2022 and signed by Larry Kropf; the supporting information including the Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report submitted by Hurlburt Environmental Engineering dated July 14, 2023 and signed by Larry Kropf and Antje Hurlburt; additional air emissions related information provided by Hurlburt Environmental Engineering dated April 3, 2023 and July 24, 2023; and the Acoustic Assessment Report prepared by Hurlburt Environmental Engineering, dated July 14, 2023 and signed by Antje Hurlburt.

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 Enviro-Tex Products 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.

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, including spill clean-up procedures;
 - iii. procedures for any record keeping activities relating to operation and maintenance of the Equipment;
 - iv. all appropriate measures to minimize noise and odorous emissions from all potential sources; and
 - v. the frequency of inspection and replacement of the filter material in the baghouse dust collectors;
 - b. implement the recommendations of the Manual.
2. The Company shall ensure that the building overhead door is kept closed at all times, except when being used for the entry and exit of personnel and/or movement of equipment.

2. RECORD RETENTION

1. The Company shall retain, for a minimum of two (2) 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 of any environmental complaints, including:
 - i. a description, time and date of each incident to which the complaint relates;
 - ii. wind direction at the time of the incident to which the complaint relates; and
 - iii. a description of the measures taken to address the cause of the incident to which the complaint relates and to prevent a similar occurrence in the future.

3. NOTIFICATION OF COMPLAINTS

1. The Company shall notify the District Manager, in writing, of each environmental complaint

within two (2) business days of the complaint. The notification shall include:

- a. a description of the nature of the complaint; and
- b. the time and date of the incident to which the complaint relates.

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.

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 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.
3. Condition No. 3 is included to require the Company to notify staff of the Ministry so as to assist the Ministry with the review of the site's compliance.
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

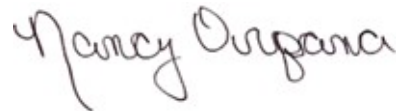
The Director appointed for the purposes of
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

*** 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 29th day of August, 2023



Nancy E Orpana, P.Eng.

Director

appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the
Environmental Protection Act

SA/

c: District Manager, MECP Guelph
Antje Hurlburt, Hurlburt Environmental Engineering