

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

#### AMENDED ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 3686-9HBJEL Issue Date: May 24, 2024

Best Blasting Mats Inc. 100 De La Station Laval, Quebec H7N 3H7

Site Location: Best

**Best Blasting Mats** 

500 Salter St Sturgeon Falls

West Nipissing Municipality, District of Nipissing

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:

a 0.80 hectare Waste Disposal Site

to be used for the processing of the following types of waste:

used tires

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

"Act" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.E-19, as amended;

"Approval" means this Environmental Compliance Approval and any Schedules to it, including the application and supporting documentation listed in Schedule "A";

"Director" means any Ministry employee appointed in writing by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA as a Director for the purposes of Part V of the EPA;

"District Manager" means the District Manager of the local district office of the Ministry in which the Site is geographically located;

"EPA" means Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19, as amended;

"Operator" means any person, other than the Owner's employees, authorized by the Owner as having the

charge, management or control of any aspect of the Site;

"Owner" means any person that is responsible for the establishment or operation of the site being approved by this Approval, and includes Best Blasting Mats Inc., its successors and assigns;

"OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O-40, as amended from time to time;

"PA" means the Pesticides Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P-11, as amend from time to time;

"Processed waste" means waste that has been separated and categorized as either recyclable material, blasting mats or residual waste;

"Provincial Officer" means any person designated in writing by the Minister as a provincial officer pursuant to section 5 of the OWRA or section 5 of the EPA or section 17 of PA;

"Regional Director" means the Regional Director of the local Regional Office of the Ministry in which the Site is located;

"Residual Waste" means waste that is destined for final disposal at an approved waste disposal site;

"Reg. 347" means Regulation 347, R.R.O. 1990, made under the EPA, as amended from time to time;

"Site" means the 0.8 hectare facility located at 500 Salter Street, Sturgeon Falls, Ontario, approved by this Approval;

"Trained personnel" means competent personnel that have been trained through instruction and/or practice in accordance with Condition 38 of this Approval; and

"Unprocessed waste" means waste that has not been separated and categorized as either recyclable material or residual waste.

You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

# **COMPLIANCE**

- 1. The Owner and Operator shall ensure compliance with all the conditions of this Approval and shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Site is notified of this Approval and the conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
- 2. Any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Site shall comply with the conditions of this Approval.

- 3. (1) Except as otherwise provided by this Approval, the Site shall be designed, developed, built, operated and maintained in accordance with the application for this Approval, dated February 20, 2013, and the supporting documentation listed in Schedule "A".
  - (2) Implementation of the aspects of the Site described in Items 6 and 7 in Schedule "A" must be completed within 5 years of the later of:
    - (a) the date this Approval is issued; or
    - (b) if there is a hearing or other litigation in respect of the issuance of this Approval, the date that this hearing or litigation is disposed of, including all appeals.
  - (3) This Approval ceases to apply in respect of the aspects of the Site noted in Condition 3(2) above that have not been implemented before the later of the dates identified.

#### INTERPRETATION

- 4. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document, including the application, referred to in this Approval, and the conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.
- 5. Where there is a conflict between the application and a provision in any documents listed in Schedule "A", the application shall take precedence, unless it is clear that the purpose of the document was to amend the application and that the Ministry approved the amendment.
- 6. Where there is a conflict between any two documents listed in Schedule "A", other than the application, the document bearing the most recent date shall take precedence.
- 7. The requirements of this Approval are severable. If any requirement of this Approval, or the application of any requirement of this Approval to any circumstance, is held invalid or unenforceable, the application of such requirement to other circumstances and the remainder of this Approval shall not be affected thereby.

# OTHER LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

- 8. The issuance of, and compliance with the conditions of, this Approval does not:
  - (a) relieve any person of any obligation to comply with any provision of any applicable statute, regulation or other legal requirement; or
  - (b) limit in any way the authority of the Ministry to require certain steps be taken or to require the Owner and/or Operator to furnish any further information related to compliance with this Approval.

#### ADVERSE EFFECTS

- 9. The Owner and Operator shall take steps to minimize and ameliorate any adverse effect on the natural environment or impairment of water quality resulting from the Site, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as may be necessary to determine the nature and extent of the effect or impairment.
- 10. Despite an Owner, Operator or any other person fulfilling any obligations imposed by this Approval the person remains responsible for any contravention of any other condition of this Approval or any applicable statute, regulation, or other legal requirement resulting from any act or omission that caused the adverse effect to the natural environment or impairment of water quality.

# **CHANGE OF OWNER**

- 11. The Owner shall notify the Director in writing, and forward a copy of the notification to the District Manager, within 30 days of the occurrence of any changes to:
  - (a) the ownership of the Site;
  - (b) the Operator of the Site;
  - (c) the address of the Owner or Operator;
  - (d) the 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 and;
  - (e) the name of the corporation where the Owner is or at any time becomes a corporation, other than a municipal 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.
- 12. No portion of this Site shall be transferred or encumbered prior to or after closing of the Site unless the Director is notified in advance and sufficient financial assurance is deposited with the Ministry to ensure that these conditions will be carried out. In the event of any change in Ownership of the Site,other than change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify the successor of and provide the successor with a copy of this Approval, and the Owner shall provide a copy of the notification to the District Manager and the Director.

# FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

13. (a) No later than 20 days from the date of issuance of this Approval, the Owner shall submit financial assurance, as defined in Section 131 of the Act, to the Director such that the total amount held by the Ministry is \$78,842. This financial assurance shall be in a form

- acceptable to the Director and shall provide sufficient funds for, as a minimum, the clean-up, transportation, and disposal of all quantities of waste on the Site at any one time.
- (b) Commencing on October 31, 2029 and at intervals of five (5) years thereafter, the Owner shall submit to the Director, a re-evaluation of the amount of financial assurance to implement the actions required under Condition 13(a). The re-evaluation shall include an assessment based on any new information relating to the environmental conditions of the Site and shall include the costs of additional monitoring and/or implementation of contingency plans required by the Director upon review of the closure plan and annual reports. The financial assurance must be submitted to the Director within thirty (30) days of written acceptance of the re-evaluation by the Director.
- (c) The amount of financial assurance is subject to review at any time by the Director and may be amended at his/her discretion. If any financial assurance is scheduled to expire or notice is received, indicating financial assurance will not be renewed, and satisfactory methods have not been made to replace the financial assurance at least sixty (60) days before the financial assurance terminates, the financial assurance shall forthwith be replaced by cash.

#### **INSPECTIONS**

- 14. No person shall hinder or obstruct a Provincial Officer in the performance of their duties, including any and all inspections authorized by the OWRA, the EPA or the PA of any place to which this Approval relates, and without limiting the foregoing to:
  - (a) enter upon the premises where the Site are located, or the location where the records required by the conditions of this Approval are kept;
  - (b) have access to, inspect, and copy any records required by the conditions of this Approval;
  - (c) inspect the practices, procedures, or operations required by the terms and conditions of this Approval; and
  - (d) sample and monitor for the purposes of assessing compliance with the conditions of this Approval or the EPA, the OWRA or the PA.

# INFORMATION AND RECORD RETENTION

- 15. The receipt of any information by the Ministry or the failure of the Ministry to prosecute any person or to require any person to take any action, under this Approval or under any statute, regulation or other legal requirement, in relation to the information, shall not be construed as:
  - (a) an approval, waiver, or justification by the Ministry of any act or omission of any person that contravenes any term or condition of this Approval or any statute, regulation or other legal requirement; or

(b) acceptance by the Ministry of the information's completeness or accuracy.

#### **OPERATIONS**

- 16. (a) The Site shall be operated and maintained at all times in accordance with the EPA, Regulation 347 and the conditions of this Approval.
  - (b) The Owner shall ensure that the Site is not operated unless all air approvals under Section 9 of the Act, where applicable, have been obtained; and,
  - (c) At no time shall the burning or incineration of any materials allowed on the Site.
- 17. The Design and Operations Report shall be retained at the Site, kept up to date through periodic revisions, and be available for inspection by Ministry staff. Substantial changes to the Design and Operations Report that require approval under Section 27 of the EPA shall be submitted to the Director for approval prior to implementation.

# APPROVED WASTE TYPES

- 18. (a) Only used tires shall be accepted at the Site.
  - (b) No putrescible waste shall be accepted at the Site.

#### WASTE LIMITS AND STORAGE

- 19. No more than 100 tonnes of waste per day shall be accepted at the Site.
- 20. (1) No more than 268 tonnes of unprocessed waste shall be present at the Site at any one time.
  - (2) No more than 2,232 tonnes in total of processed waste shall be stored or be present on-site at any one time.
  - (3) If for any reason waste cannot be transferred from the Site, the Site shall cease accepting waste until normal operations can resume.
- 21. (1) All unprocessed and processed waste shall be stored in the designated areas noted in Item 7 in Schedule "A".
  - (2) 1. The height of any unprocessed waste pile shall not exceed 2.9 metres at any time.
    - 2. The height of any processed waste pile shall not exceed 3.5 metres and the length of any processed waste pile shall not exceed 15 metres at any time.

- (3) The Owner shall maintain firebreaks at all times utilizing sea containers between all unprocessed waste piles as described in Item 7 in Schedule "A".
- (4) The Owner shall maintain spacing of no less than 3 metres between processed waste piles at all times.
- (5) The Owner shall maintain a fire access route on-site that is at least 6 metres in width and at least 6 metres away from any waste pile at all times. This route shall be maintained clear of any waste or other material that would prevent fire fighting access, be surfaced with a material that allows all-weather fire fighting access, have at least 2 points of access to Salter Street, and be located no more than 50 metres from any waste pile.
- (6) The Owner shall maintain at least 70 cubic metres of aggregate on-site for use in fighting fires.
- (7) All activities relating to the processing of waste must be conducted in an enclosed building on an impermeable pad of concrete or asphalt. No processing of waste or hotwork shall be conducted outdoors.
- (8) 1. Any instructions set out by the local Fire Department in writing shall take precedence over the above-noted conditions.
  - 2. After receiving written instructions by the local Fire Department, the Owner shall notify the District Office forthwith of the required change to operations.
  - 3. If carrying out written instructions from the local Fire Department would otherwise require an amendment to this Approval prior to implementation, the Owner shall submit an application to the Director within 30 days of receiving the written instructions from the local Fire Department requesting that change.
- 22. The maximum storage time for unprocessed and process waste shall be 6 months.
- 23. Each load of waste material entering the facility, as well as each load of waste and recycled materials transferred from the facility, shall be weighed, with the total amount of each stream received or transferred each day to be recorded.

# WASTE INSPECTION

- 24. In the event that prohibited waste is received at the Site, the Owner shall refuse receipt of the prohibited waste and return the waste to the generator. The Owner shall review and document the incident and take appropriate steps to prevent future receipt of all prohibited waste.
- 25. All waste shall be inspected by Trained personnel prior to being accepted at the Site to ensure that the waste is of a type approved for acceptance under this Approval.

26. In the event that a load of waste is refused for any reason, a record shall me made in an electronic database and/or a written record of the reason the waste was refused and the origin of the waste, if known.

# **SERVICE AREA**

27. Only waste that is generated in Canada shall be accepted at the Site.

# HOURS OF OPERATION

28. The hours of operation at the Site shall be 7:00am to 7:00pm, 7 days per week excluding statutory holidays, unless otherwise restricted by municipal by-laws or conditions in any Environmental Compliance Approval (Air) issued for the Site.

# **SITE SECURITY**

- 29. (a) The Owner shall implement the Site Security Plan set out in Item 6 of Schedule "A" and shall include frequent, adequate, routine surveillance of all trailer and/or container storage areas, all outside material storage locations and the surrounding property in case of fire or leakage that may result in discharges to the site storm drainage system that may enter the environment.
  - (b) The Site shall be maintained in a secure manner, such that unauthorized vehicles/persons cannot enter the Site.
  - (c) A secure perimeter that prevents access to the Site by unauthorized vehicles/persons, which may consist of fencing, natural features such as high berms, or other barriers such as large shipping containers, shall be maintained around the Site at all times.

# **VEHICLES**

30. The Owner shall ensure that all vehicles and equipment leaving the Site do not drag waste, dirt and/or other materials that may become a contaminant or nuisance out on to municipal streets, and shall ensure that the exteriors of these vehicles and equipment are cleared of debris as necessary.

#### LITTER

- 31. The Owner shall implement a litter control program at the Site which shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (a) taking all practical steps to prevent the escape of litter from the Site; and
  - (b) conducting regular litter pick-up on the Site perimeter, access roads and on the municipal roadway abutting the Site, limited to periods when the Site is free of snow cover.

# **FUGITIVE DUST**

- 32. The Owner shall implement procedures at the Site to control sources of fugitive dust including, but not limited to:
  - (a) taking all appropriate measures to prevent the generation of airborne contaminant emissions, including dust, from the Site;
  - (b) if airborne contaminant emissions from the Site cause or have the potential to cause an adverse effect, as defined in the Act,taking immediate action to abate the emission;
  - (c) if, in the opinion of the District Manager, measures taken in accordance with paragraph (b) above do not abate the emission, and if the District Manager provides written notice to the Owner, ceasing receipt and processing of waste at the Site immediately until the cause of the emission has been abated to the satisfaction of the District Manager;
  - (d) ensuring all vehicle routes are on paved or compacted granular surfaces; and
  - (e) sweeping and/or spraying internal yard and road surfaces to minimize dust as indicated in the Design and Operations Report set out in Item 3 of Schedule "A".

# **VERMIN and ODOUR**

- 33. The Site shall be operated and maintained in an environmentally safe manner which ensures the health and safety of all persons and minimizes vermin, vectors, odours, pests, litter, noise and traffic.
- 34. If at any time vermin, vectors, odours, pests, litter and noise or other such nuisances are generated at this Site, then the Owner shall take appropriate remedial action immediately.
- 35. Appropriate measures, as noted in Condition 34 above, shall include as a minimum the hiring of a qualified, licensed pest control professional to design and implement a pest control plan for the Site and/or temporarily ceasing all operations until the problem is rectified and measures have been undertaken to prevent future occurrence.

# **SITE INSPECTION**

- 36. (1) A visual inspection of the following areas shall be completed each operating day:
  - (i) loading/unloading area(s);
  - (ii) processing area(s);
  - (iii) storage area(s);
  - (iv) security fence/barrier and property line;
  - (v) process equipment; and

- (vi) roadways into the Site.
- (2) An detailed inspection of the entire Site, including the locations listed in (1) above, and all equipment on the Site shall be conducted no less than once per week to ensure that: the Site is secure; that any potential fire hazards or risks have been removed or addressed; that the operation of the Site is not causing any nuisances; that the operation of the Site is not causing any adverse effects on the environment and that the Site is being operated in compliance with this Approval.
- (3) Any deficiencies discovered as a result of the inspection noted in either (1) or (2) above shall be remedied immediately, including temporarily ceasing operations at the Site if needed.
- (4) A record of the inspections shall be kept, in either a written or electronic format, that includes the following information:
  - (a) the name and signature of person that conducted the inspection;
  - (b) the date and time of the inspection;
  - (c) a list of any deficiencies discovered;
  - (d) any recommendations for remedial action; and
  - (e) the date, time and description of actions taken.

# SPILLS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- 37. (1) All spills, upsets and fires shall be immediately reported to the Ministry's Spills Action Centre at 1-800-268-6060 and a written record shall be made as to the nature of the spill or upset, and the action taken for clean-up, correction and prevention of future occurrences.
  - (2) The Owner shall immediately take all measures necessary to contain and clean up any spill or leak which may result from the operation at this Site.
  - (3) The Owner shall ensure that all aspects of the Emergency Response Plan set out in Items 6 and 7 in Schedule "A" related to emergency response equipment, the physical layout of the Site and staff training have been implemented and that the plan as a whole is ready to be enacted at all times no later than 30 days of the date of issuance of this Approval.
  - (4) A copy of the Emergency Response Plan shall be kept on the Site at all times, in a prominent location available to all staff and emergency response personnel. Copies of the plan shall be provided to the District Office and the Fire Department within 30 days of the date of issuance of this Approval.
  - (5) The Emergency Response Plan shall be kept up-to-date at all times and, at a minimum, include procedures to be followed in the event of emergency situations at the Site including fire, a list of required emergency response equipment to be present on-site, emergency contact numbers, and any other information required by the local Fire Department. The Owner shall ensure that copies

of any updates to the Emergency Response Plan are submitted to the District Office and the Fire Department within 7 days of an update being made. Changes to the plan shall be implemented immediately unless otherwise instructed by either the District Office or the Fire Department in writing, or if the change requires an amendment to this Approval.

- (6) The Owner shall ensure that the equipment and materials outlined in the Emergency Response Plan are immediately available on the Site, in a good state of repair, and fully operational at all times.
- (7) The Owner shall ensure that all operating personnel are fully trained in the Emergency Response Plan and the use of emergency response equipment and related materials corresponding to each employee's job requirements.

# TRAINING PLAN

- 38. All operators of the Site shall be trained with respect to the following:
  - (a) the terms, conditions and operating requirements of this Approval;
  - (b) operation and management of the Site, or areas within the Site, as per the specific job requirements of each individual operator, and which may include procedures for receiving, screening, refusal, and handling of waste;
  - (c) shipping and manifesting procedures, if such functions fall within the job requirements of the individual operator;
  - (d) the Site plan and location of relevant equipment, including that for emergencies and spills;
  - (e) an outline of the responsibilities of Site personnel including roles and responsibilities during emergencies and spills;
  - (f) Emergency Response Plan equipment and procedures;
  - (g) any environmental and occupational health and safety concerns pertaining to the waste to be processed;
  - (h) emergency first-aid information;
  - (i) relevant waste management legislation and regulations, including the EPA and Ontario Regulation 347;
  - (j) information recording procedures;
  - (k) Equipment and Site Inspection procedures;

- (l) procedures for recording and responding to public complaints; and
- (m) all applicable operating and monitoring procedures.
- 39. The Owner shall maintain an electronic and/or written record at the Site which shall include (as a minimum) the following:
  - (a) the date of training;
  - (b) the name and signature of the person who has been trained; and
  - (c) a description of the training provided.

#### COMPLAINT RESPONSE

- 40. (1) If at any time, the Owner receives complaints regarding the operation of the Site, the Owner shall record and number each complaint, in either a written or electronic format, and shall include the following information;
  - (a) the nature of the complaint;
  - (b) if complaint is odour or nuisance related, the weather conditions and wind direction at the time of the complaint;
  - (c) the name, address and the telephone number of the complainant (if provided);
  - (d) the time and date of the complaint;
  - (2) The Owner, upon notification of the a complaint, shall:
    - (a) immediately notify the District Manager by email; and
    - (b) forthwith initiate appropriate steps to determine all possible causes of the complaint, proceed to take the necessary actions to eliminate the cause of the complaint, and forward a formal reply to the complainant and District Manager.
  - (3) The Owner shall complete, retain on-site and submit to the District Manager, a report within one (1) week of the complaint date, listing the actions taken to resolve the complaint and any recommendations for remedial measures, and managerial or operational changes to reasonably avoid the recurrence of similar incidents.

# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

41. (1) The Owner shall manage all direct discharges from the Site including stormwater run-off and

- firewater run-off in the event of a fire, in accordance with appropriate Municipal, Provincial and or Federal Legislation, Regulations and By-laws.
- (2) Existing floor drains shall be sealed, preventing spilled contaminated liquid from entering the sanitary sewer system.

# **SIGNS**

- 42. A sign shall be posted and maintained at the main entrance/exit to the Site displaying in a manner that is clear and legible and contain the following information:
  - (a) the name of the Site and/or company;
  - (b) the number of this Approval;
  - (c) the name of the Operator and/or Owner;
  - (d) the hours of operation;
  - (e) the allowable and prohibited waste types;
  - (f) a telephone number to which complaints may be directed;
  - (g) a twenty-four (24) hour emergency telephone number (if different from above); and
  - (h) a warning against dumping outside the Site.

# RECORD KEEPING

- 43. (1) An electronic tracking system shall be implemented at the Site and shall include the following information:
  - (a) date;
  - (b) types, quantities (tonnes) and source of waste received;
  - (c) quantity of unprocessed waste, processed and residual wastes shipped from the Site;
  - (d) quantities and destination of each type of waste shipped from the Site; and
  - (e) the details of any spills and mitigative actions undertaken.

- (2) A record shall be kept of all prohibited waste received at the Site. In the event that prohibited waste is received at the Site, the Owner shall note the incident, summarizing the type of waste removed, the source of the waste and the steps taken by the Owner to prevent future receipt of prohibited waste. All such records shall be kept on-site for no less than 2 years, to be made available to any Provincial Officer upon request.
- (3) A record shall be kept of any waste refusals which shall include: amounts, reasons for refusal and actions taken.
- (4) A record of equipment inspections shall be maintained at the Site and shall include:
  - (a) name and signature of trained personnel conducting daily inspection of the Site;
  - (b) date and time of the inspection;
  - (c) list of equipment inspected and all deficiencies observed;
  - (d) a detailed description of the maintenance activity;
  - (e) date and time of maintenance activity; and,
  - (f) recommendations for remedial action and actions undertaken.

#### ANNUAL REPORT

- 44. By March 31, 2025, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Owner shall prepare a written report covering the previous calendar year and shall submit that report to the District Manager. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following information:
  - (a) a detailed monthly summary of the type and quantity of all incoming and outgoing wastes and the destination of all outgoing wastes;
  - (b) any environmental and operational problems, that could negatively impact the environment, encountered during the operation of the Site and during the facility inspections and any mitigative actions taken;
  - (c) any changes to the Emergency Response Plan, the Design and Operations Report and the Closure Plan that have been approved by the Director since the last Annual Report; and
  - (d) any recommendations to minimize environmental impacts from the operation of the Site and to improve Site operations and monitoring programs in this regard.

#### **CLOSURE PLAN**

- 45. (1) The Owner shall submit, for approval by the Director, a written Closure Plan for the Site four (4) months prior to closure of the Site. This plan must include, as a minimum, a description of the work that will be done to facilitate closure of the Site and a schedule for completion of that work; and
  - (2) Within ten (10) days after closure of the Site, the Owner must notify the Director, in

writing, that the Site has been closed in accordance with the approved Closure Plan.

# Schedule "A" This Schedule "A" forms part of this Environmental Compliance Approval

- 1. Application for a new Environmental Compliance Approval dated February 20, 2013 for a Waste Disposal Site from Jeff Murray, President/Manager, Best Blasting Mats Inc., including supporting documentation.
- 2. Letter dated September 3, 2013 from Jeff Murray, Manager/President, Best Blasting Mats Inc., to Lucie Guichelaar, Waste Evaluator, Ministry of the Environment, re: Best Blasting Mats ECA approval for tire processing site, including attached Design and Operations Report.
- 3. Email to Celia Jackson, from Jeff Murray, President/Manager, Best Blasting Mats Inc. dated Tuesday, March 18, 2014, with attached Mitigation and Fire Safety Plans for the Site.
- 4. Email to Celia Jackson, from Jeff Murray, President/Manager, Best Blasting Mats Inc. dated Tuesday, March 25, 2014 clarifying and discussing the use of terms and Conditions in the ECA.
- 5. Environmental Compliance Approval application dated March 17, 2020 signed by Nicholas Pedneault, President, Best Blasting Mats Inc., requesting an expansion in service area from Ontario to Canada.
- 6. Environmental Compliance Approval application dated August 26, 2022 signed by Nicholas Pedneault, President, Best Blasting Mats Inc., requesting changes to site storage, hours of operation and site security.
- 7. Email from Keri Bernard, Senior Technical Manager, Pinchin Ltd. to Andrew Neill, P.Eng., dated June 21, 2023 including the attached letter dated June 21, 2023 from Andrew Horseman, Vice President Sustainability, Environmental 360 Solutions Ltd., to Frank Loeffen, West Nipissing Fire Chief, with information on final tonnages and fire prevention and mitigation measures.

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

The reason for Conditions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 17 is to clarify the legal rights and responsibilities of the Owner and Operator.

The reason for Conditions 3 is to ensure that the Site is operated in accordance with the application and supporting documentation submitted by the Owner, and not in a manner which the Director has not been asked to consider.

The reasons for Condition 11 is to ensure that the Site is operated under the corporate name which appears on the application form submitted for this approval and to ensure that the Director is informed of

any changes.

The reasons for Condition 12 are to restrict potential transfer or encumbrance of the Site without the approval of the Director and to ensure that any transfer of encumbrance can be made only on the basis that it will not endanger compliance with this Approval.

The reason for Condition 13 is to ensure that sufficient funds are available to the Ministry to clean up the Site in the event that the Owner is unable or unwilling to do so.

The reason for Condition 14 is to ensure that appropriate Ministry staff have ready access to the Site for inspection of facilities, equipment, practices and operations required by the conditions in this Approval. This condition is supplementary to the powers of entry afforded a Provincial Officer pursuant to the EPA and OWRA.

The reason for Condition 15 is to ensure the availability of records and drawings for inspection and information purposes.

The reasons for Conditions 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 27 are to specify the approved service area from which waste may be accepted at the Site, the types of waste that may be accepted at the Site, the amounts of waste that may be stored at the Site, the manner in which those wastes may be stored, fire safety requirements, and the maximum rate at which the Site may receive waste based on the Owner's application and supporting documentation.

The reason for Conditions 24, 25 and 26 are to ensure that all wastes are properly classified to ensure that they are managed, processed and disposed in accordance with O. Reg. 347, R.R.O. 1990 and in a manner that protects the health and safety of people and the public .

The reasons for Condition 28 is to specify the hours of operation for the Site.

The reasons for Condition 29 is to ensure the controlled access and integrity of the Site by preventing unauthorized access when the Site is closed and no site attendant is on duty.

The reason for Conditions 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35 are to ensure that the Site is operated in a manner which does not result in a nuisance or a hazard to the health and safety of the environment or people.

The reasons for Condition 36 are to ensure that routine Site inspections are carried out to prevent nuisances and off-site impacts, and that detailed records of Site inspections are recorded and maintained for inspection and information purposes.

The reason for Condition 37 is to ensure that an Emergency Response Plan is prepared for the Site and that both the District Office and the local Fire Department are aware of the details of the plan.

The reason for Conditions 38 and 39 is to ensure that the Site is operated by properly Trained staff in a manner which does not result in a hazard or nuisance to the natural environment or any person.

The reason for Condition 39 is included to ensure that detailed records of Site activities, inspections, monitoring, upsets and training history are recorded and maintained for inspection and information purposes.

The reason for Condition 40 is to ensure that any complaints regarding Site operations at the Site are responded to in a timely manner.

The reason for Condition 41 is to ensure that all stormwater and process water discharges are made in accordance with relevant legislation.

The reason for Condition 42 is to ensure that users of the Site are fully aware of important information and restrictions related to Site operations and access under this Approval.

The reason for Condition 43 is to ensure that appropriate records of waste movements and Site management are kept.

The reasons for Condition 44 are to ensure that regular review of site development, operations and monitoring data is documented and any possible improvements to site design, operations or monitoring programs are identified. An annual report is an important tool used in reviewing site activities and for determining the effectiveness of site design.

The reason for Condition 45 is to ensure that the Site is closed in accordance with Ministry standards and to protect the health and safety of the public and the environment.

# Upon issuance of the environmental compliance approval, I hereby revoke Approval No(s). 3686-9HBJEL issued on June 26, 2020

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.

Pursuant to subsection 139(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act*, a hearing may not be required with respect to any terms and conditions in this environmental compliance approval, if the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those contained in an approval that is amended or revoked by this environmental compliance approval.

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.

and

This Notice must be served upon:

Registrar\*
Ontario Land Tribunal
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1E5
OLT.Registrar@ontario.ca

The Minister of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor and
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2J3

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 24th day of May, 2024

Mohsen Keyvani, P.Eng.

Director

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

AN/

c: Area Manager, MECP North Bay

c: District Manager, MECP Sudbury Keri Bernard B.Sc., EP, Pinchin Ltd.