



GOVERNMENT
OF
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
Department of Environment and Climate Change
CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

Pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act, SNL2002, Sections 16, 78 and 83.*

Issued: May 11, 2021
Expiration: May 11, 2026

Approval No.: WMS-19-04-001
File No.: 839.ENG.001

Proponent: Enviro Green Septic Plumbing Ltd.
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Attention: Mr. Shaun Boyd

Re: Collection and Transportation of Sewage/Septic Waste (Province-Wide)

Approval is hereby given for the operation of a waste management system consisting of the province-wide collection and transportation of sewage sludge/septic liquid wastes.

This approval does not release the holder from the obligation to obtain appropriate approvals from other concerned provincial, federal, and municipal agencies. Approval from the Department of Environment and Climate Change (the Department) shall be obtained prior to any significant change in the design, construction, installation, or operation of the facility, including any future expansion of the works. This certificate shall not be sold, assigned, transferred, leased, mortgaged, sublet, or otherwise alienated by the holder without obtaining written prior approval from the Minister.

This approval is subject to the terms and conditions attached hereto, and may be revised from time to time by the Department. The terms and conditions form part and parcel of this certificate of approval. Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions may render this certificate of approval null and void, may require the proponent to cease all activities associated with this certificate of approval, may place the proponent and its agent(s) in violation of the *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL., 2002, c. E-14-2, and will make the proponent responsible for taking such remedial measures as may be prescribed by the Department. The Department reserves the right to add, modify, or revoke this approval at any time.

For MINISTER

General

1. This Certificate of Approval will be posted on the department's website at:
<https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-protection/waste/#cert>.

Province-Wide Collection & Transport of Septic Waste

2. Approval is given for the province-wide collection and transportation of septic/sewage sludge and digester sludge.

Definitions

3. In this Certificate of Approval:
 - **Department** means Department of Environment and Climate Change;
 - **Director** means the Director of the Pollution Prevention Division (PPD) of the Department;
 - **East Coast Sewage Disposal Ban** means that the Department does not approve the landfill disposal of sewage sludge and septic waste in the eastern part of the island of Newfoundland to the east of (and including) Shoal Harbour and including the entire Avalon Peninsula. The area excludes the Burin Peninsula south of Swift Current. The area also excludes the Bonavista Peninsula but includes the area from Milton south to Shoal Harbour;
 - **GSC** means the Government Service Centre of Digital Government and Service NL;
 - **PPD** means Pollution Prevention Division of the Department;
 - **Proponent** mean Enviro Green Septic Plumbing Ltd.;
 - **Regional Director** means the Director of the nearest GSC;
 - **West Coast Sewage Disposal Ban** means that the Department does not approve the landfill disposal of sewage sludge and septic waste in the western part of the island of Newfoundland bounded to the north by the northern boundary of Gros Morne National Park and to the east by Halls Bay and Bay de Loup, excluding Buchans.

Emergency & OHS Preparedness

4. The proponent shall file a contingency plan for environmental and OHS emergencies with the regional Digital Government and Service NL office and the Department prior to commencing operations and, thereafter, provide any annual updates. An updated copy of the contingency plan shall be kept at the workplace at all times.
5. The proponent shall ensure that this approval, or copies, are kept in the workplace at all times and that personnel directly involved in the operations are made fully aware of the terms and conditions which

pertain to this approval.

6. For afterhours emergencies and spill reports call: **1-800-563-9089** or **(709) 772- 2083**.
7. All appropriate health and safety procedures shall be constantly maintained at the workplace in accordance with applicable legislation.

Application Submissions

8. The proponent's application to the Department included:
 - A request via email for the renewal the proponent's previous approval dated May 7, 2021;
 - An updated environmental emergencies contingency plan;
 - A certificate of environmental liability impairment insurance (**policy no. PCL556018**); and
 - A surety bond for \$10,000 from Western Surety Company (**Bond no. 436,366**).

Further Assessment

9. The Minister may at any time, with reasonable notice, require the proponent to conduct or have conducted environmental studies, site assessments, sampling, testing, or investigations where, based upon reasonable and probable grounds, the Minister is of the opinion that the waste management system may have had, or has the potential to have, an adverse effect on the environment.

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10. Through a Memorandum-of-Understanding, this Department has authorized the GSC to act on its behalf in inspecting and/or auditing this operation for compliance under this approval and all applicable provincial Acts and Regulations.

Legislation

11. The activities associated with this operation may involve, but not be limited to, the following provincial Acts and Regulations and any future amendments:
 - *Dangerous Goods Transportation Act*;
 - *Fire Prevention Act*;
 - *Environmental Protection Act*;
 - *Air Pollution Control Regulations, 2004*;
 - *Storage and Handling of Gasoline and Associated Products Regulations, 2003*;
 - *Used Oil Control Regulations*;
 - *Water Resources Act*; and
 - *Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003*.

Financial Assurance

12. Valid environmental liability impairment insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 shall be maintained otherwise this approval shall be null and void.
13. A surety bond of \$10,000 shall be on file with the Department, otherwise this approval shall be null and void.
14. Annual updates of the financial assurance documents shall be filed with the Department.
15. The proponent shall provide the Department with three months advance notice if they intend to cancel coverage and/or change the insurer or bonding agent.

Septic Liquid & Sludge Collection & Transport (Province-Wide)

16. Landfill disposal of septic sludge is prohibited as per the East Coast Sewage Disposal Ban and West Coast Sewage Disposal Ban as defined in the ***Definitions*** section.
17. All septic liquid and sludge collected inside a Disposal Ban area shall be disposed at an approved facility within a Disposal Ban area, and shall not be transported for disposal outside a Disposal Ban area at a landfill site or any other location/facility.
18. The disposal of sewage waste from sewage waste haulers into municipal sewer systems is prohibited. The only exception would be in instances where a malfunction in the municipal sewer system requires pumping of waste to another point in the system
19. Records documenting the collection data, volume, source, type of waste, disposal date and disposal location are to be completed for each and every job. These records are to be provided to the Department every three months at intervals described in the table below. The records may be requested more frequently and must be made available to the Department.

Reporting Period	Report Due Date
January 1- March 31	April 15
April 1 - June 30	July 15
July 1- September 30	October 15
October 1- December 31	January 15

Reporting

20. An annual report shall be submitted to the Department by January 31, each year summarizing the proponent's activities for the previous year. This report shall include the current insurance and bonding documents as specified in the **Emergency & OHS Preparedness** and **Financial Assurance** sections and any updates to the Contingency Plan.
21. All incidents of:
 - Contingency Plan implementation;

- non-conformance of any condition within this approval;
- spillage or leakage of a regulated substance;
- whenever discharge criteria is, or is suspected to be, exceeded; or
- verbal/written complaints of an environmental nature from the public received by the proponent;

shall be immediately reported, within one working day, to a person or message manager or facsimile machine at the nearest GSC by phoning or faxing.

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22. A written incident report including a detailed description of any incidents, summary of contributing factors, and an action plan to prevent future incidents of a similar nature, shall be submitted to the respective Regional Director of Service NL. The action plan shall include a description of actions already taken and future actions to be implemented, and shall be submitted within thirty days of the date of the initial incident.

Expiration

23. This approval expires on **May 11, 2026**.
24. Should the proponent wish to continue to operate beyond this expiry date, a written request shall be submitted to the department for the renewal of this approval. Such request shall be made at least **6 weeks prior to expiration**.

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