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Office of the City Clerk City of Hamilton City Centre, 77 James St. North Ste. 220 Hamilton, ON L8R 2K3

Subject:

Proposed Amendment to MOE Certificate of Approval, Waste Transfer & Material Recovery Centre CountryWide Recycling Inc. 900 Nebo Road Hamilton ON

Please be advised that 1778235 Ontario Inc., operating as CountryWide Recycling Inc. (CRI) has applied to the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) for an amendment to Provisional Certificate of Approval (CofA) No. 9998-8EBJ3 for the operation of our materials recovery centre and waste transfer station at 900 Nebo Road in the City of Hamilton. The CRI facility presently receives and processes construction, renovation and demolition (C&D) waste generated in the Province of Ontario.

Operations at the site include receiving and pre-screening of waste shipments, screening and sorting to separate classes of materials, and size reduction (shredding and/or grinding) to produce separated recyclables and final, usable products. All sorting and processing activities are confined to the interior of the facility, with raw waste and separated materials stored indoors or in dedicated, covered bins and trailers around the building perimeter to eliminate litter and noise/dust emissions. The materials receiving and processing area was constructed with water mist system to keep dust and particulate matter out of the facility air.

The site is designed to receive, sort and process a maximum 1600 tonnes of diverted waste per day, with the materials sorted for recycling and alternative end uses including clean wood for mulch and boiler fuel, other wood products for biofuel feedstock, and non-recyclables for alternative cover applications. Metals, plastics, cardboard, aggregates, etc. are separated and sent for off-site recycling. The CofA presently permits the receipt of 800 tonnes per day, with on-site storage capped at 1600 tonnes

CRI is seeking the following amendments to the existing approval under Ministry of the Environment (MOE) file reference 7090-8SNG3N,

- ► The addition of solid, non-hazardous waste from industrial, commercial and institutional (IC&I) sources to the approved materials at the site;
- ► Receipt of wood waste, including old hydro poles and rail ties, that may have been treated to resist environmental degradation; and,
- ► An increase in the maximum on-site storage volume to 2400 tonnes (maximum of 3 days of incoming material) to provide accommodation for the large, bulkier waste items prior to processing.

The proposed amendments, once approved, will <u>not result</u> in an increase in vehicular traffic to the site, nor add any new waste classes being received or processed. The changes will assist local IC&I waste producers in diverting waste materials from landfills, and provide sorted and pre-processed materials for new end users.

We believe the facility will continue to divert reusable waste materials and recyclables from landfills, assisting in meeting municipal and provincial waste diversion goals. If you, as a neighbour of the site, have any concerns regarding the proposed amendments to the Ministry approval, please provide your written comments within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this notice to:

Director, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch Ministry of the Environment 2 St. Clair Ave. W. Floor 12A Toronto, ON M4V 1L5 File Reference 7090-8SNG3N

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 905-641-0941 ext. 309 for further information.

Yours very truly,
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