PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT NOTICE OF MINISTERIAL DECISION PURSUANT TO SECTION 15 THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT

INVERGORDON LANDFILL INCORPORATED INVERGORDON LANDFILL PROJECT

WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to subsection 8(1) of *The Environmental Assessment Act* (the Act), Invergordon Landfill Incorporated (the proponent) applied for ministerial approval to construct, operate and decommission a landfill approximately six kilometres west of Yellow Creek, Saskatchewan in the Rural Municipality of Invergordon No. 430 (the development).
- B. Pursuant to section 10 of the Act, the Minister of Environment (the Minister) gave notice of the assessment to be conducted.
- C. Pursuant to clause 9(1)(b) of the Act, an environmental impact statement, consisting of a document entitled "Environmental Impact Statement (Rev2) Proposed Industrial Landfill SW 06-44-23-W2M RM of Invergordon (430), Saskatchewan" dated April 4, 2025 (the statement), was submitted to the Minister.
- D. Pursuant to section 11 of the Act, the Minister has reviewed the statement and has made the statement and review available for public inspection.
- E. The Minister is satisfied that all the requirements of the Act have been met, including those required of the proponent, and has concluded that the development ought to be approved subject to terms and conditions.

Now Therefore Take Notice That, pursuant to clause 15(1)(a) of the Act, Ministerial Approval is hereby given to the proponent to proceed with the development subject to the following terms and conditions:

- The proponent shall proceed with the development in the manner described in the statement except where alterations are required by the subsequent terms and conditions of this approval.
- 2. The proponent shall inform the Minister, in the manner described in subsection 16(1) of the Act, of any change to the development that does not conform to the terms and conditions of this approval.

- 3. The proponent shall follow the requirements of the laws and regulations of the Province of Saskatchewan, respecting the design, construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the development.
- 4. This approval is not an environmental approval with respect to any ancillary feature of this development, for example, but not limited to power transmission lines, natural gas pipelines and water supply lines and provincial or rural municipality roads, that is the responsibility of a party other than the proponent. If required, such features will be considered under separate application to be submitted by the responsible party.
- 5. Where there is discrepancy between a condition of this approval and any document submitted by the proponent, the condition of this approval shall take precedence.
- 6. The development must commence within five years of the issuance date of this approval. If it has not commenced within five years of the issuance date of this approval, the Minister shall give the proponent 30 days to rectify the breach or to make representations as to why an extension of the five-year time period is warranted. If the breach is not rectified and an extension of time is not granted by the Minister, this approval expires.
- 7. The proponent shall develop and implement a complaint resolution process to address potential concerns from the community and stakeholders for the life of the project. The process must include procedures for receiving, documenting, tracking, and resolving complaints, as well as methods for engaging and communicating with the public and stakeholders. Outcomes of the process shall be included as part of the annual reporting requirements or be made available to the ministry upon request.
- 8. The proponent shall have a qualified third-party environmental monitor, as defined under Saskatchewan Petroleum Industry / Government Environment Committee (SPIGEC) Guideline No. 6, present on site during site preparation and earthworks activities occurring in or near environmentally sensitive or native habitats as described in the statement.
- 9. The proponent shall develop a sampling plan for the collection of baseline groundwater chemistry for the channelized Sand Unit 2 flow system described in Section 5.1.2.1 of the statement for ministry approval prior to construction. Sampling results shall be incorporated into the ministry-approved monitoring program for the project prior to operation.
- 10. If at any time the ground and surface water monitoring results for the project indicate that the assumptions outlined in the statement are not met or the operational and design measures are insufficient to prevent off-site impacts, the proponent shall immediately notify the Environmental Protection Branch (EPB) and Environmental Assessment and Stewardship Branch (EASB). The proponent shall develop a remediation strategy that includes monitoring thresholds, timelines and

- alternative measures that will be employed to avoid off-site impacts. Any measures deemed necessary by the ministry shall be implemented by the proponent to ensure off-site impacts to groundwater and surface water are prevented.
- 11. This approval excludes environmental approval for Phase II of the project as identified in the statement. Should the proponent wish to proceed with Phase II, the proponent shall submit the proposed change for review and approval under Section 16 of the Act.
- 12. This Ministerial Approval takes effect on the date of signing.

	Dated at Regina, Saskatchewan this_	23	day of	June	, 202
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ISSUED BY:

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Minister of Environment