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ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD HEARING SCHEDULE

The Environmental Appeals Board will conduct a hearing on January 18 and 19, 2010, commencing at 8:30 a.m. at the Centennial Senior Opportunity Club Centre in St. Paul. The hearing is with respect to Alberta Environment’s decision to issue an Approval to the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission. The Approval authorizes the construction, operation and reclamation of the Evergreen Regional Landfill (Class II), a non-hazardous landfill located near St. Paul, where more than 10,000 tonnes per year of waste is disposed of. Specifically, the Board will hear submissions on: 1. Does the Approval adequately address the potential impacts of the expanded landfill on the groundwater and the local wells? and 2. Did the Director, Alberta Environment, adequately consider the potential impacts of the expanded landfill on surface water run-off and surrounding watersheds?

The Environmental Appeals Board is a separate and independent body that reviews certain decisions made by Alberta Environment. The Board is composed of environmental experts from a variety of disciplines.

Any person, other than the parties, who wishes to make a representation before the Board on this appeal must submit a request in writing by fax or by e-mail to the Board. The request must be received by the Board on or before November 24, 2009. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure their request has been received. The request shall contain the name, address, telephone and fax numbers of the person submitting the request, indicate whether the person will be represented by a lawyer or agent, and if so, their name, contain a summary of the nature of the person’s interest in this appeal, and be signed by the person submitting the request. After November 24, 2009, the Board will, in its discretion, determine if other persons may make representations and the manner in which they can be made. Once all parties have been determined, the hearing will be open to the public for viewing only.

Copies of materials filed with the Board respecting this appeal are available for viewing at the St. Paul Municipal Library during their normal operating hours, or by appointment at the Office of the Environmental Appeals Board in Edmonton.

The information requested is necessary to allow the Environmental Appeals Board to perform its function. The information is collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, section 33(c). Section 33(c) provides that personal information may only be collected if that information relates directly to and is necessary for the processing of this appeal. The information provided will be considered a public record.

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