Government of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana
Environmental Protection Agency

October 18, 2022 **Ref. No.: 20190730 – FBCWR**

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Ganges Street Sophia, Georgetown Guyana

Dear Mr. Lincoln,

Re: Environmental Permit (Renewed) for GINMIN (Waratilla)

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has prepared an Environmental Permit (Renewed) for the Operation of Waratilla Camp along with Supporting Infrastructure located between the Right Bank Essequibo River and the Left Bank of the Demerara River under **Reference No. 20190730 – FBCWR**.

Please sign the Environmental Permit (Renewed) to indicate your acceptance of its terms and conditions and agreement to comply with the statutory requirements of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000.

The cost for your Operation Permit ***at this time*** is **USD$2, 500 for five (5) years (i.e., US $500 per year). You are required to pay this fee or its equivalent in Guyana dollars, using the Citizens Bank (Guyana) Inc. daily exchange rate. Payment to the Environmental Protection Agency can be made in cash, by wire transfer, or manager's cheque, in either Guyana dollars or United States dollars. Personal cheque can be paid in Guyana dollars. Please note personal cheque in United States dollars will NOT be accepted.**

Should you have any questions or need clarification, please contact **Mr. Colis Primo** on 225-0506 (Ext. 1297) or email cprimo@epaguyana.org.

Yours Sincerely,

Environmental Protection Agency
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Environmental Permit (Renewed)

Issued under the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000.

Reference No.:	**20190730 - FBCWR**
Fee:	**Medium (C1) - US$ 500 per year**
Fee Paid:	**US$ 2,500 (Five (5) years: October, 2022 to September, 2027)**

Addressee (s): **Mr. Elliot Lincoln**
Director and President,
Guyana Industrial Minerals Inc.
222, Area J, Cedar Court,
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Georgetown.

Activity: **Waratilla Support Camp**

Guyana Industrial Minerals Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "Permit Holder", is hereby authorised in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, No. Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000, to operate the Waratilla Mining Support Camp situated between the Right Bank Essequibo River and the Left Bank of the Demerara River, hereinafter referred to as the "Project", in a manner indicated in the Application submitted on July 20, 2019, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and any existing and forthcoming regulations made under the said Environmental Protection Act and/or any other applicable laws, best practices, guidelines and standards relevant to this project.

This is a Renewal of the Environmental Permit, Reference #20190730 - FBCWR, issued in October, 2020, and expired on February, 2022, in accordance with the Environmental Protection (Authorisations) Regulations, 2000.

Terms and Conditions for the Operation to be adhered to by the Permit Holder, His Servant, Agent and/or Sub-Contractor(s):

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1.0 OPERATION

1.1. Comply with all components of the approved Revised Environmental Management Plan (EMP), dated February 26, 2020 and addendum dated June, 2020.

1.2. Notify the Agency in writing and obtain its approval for **ANY** proposed changes in operation of Waratilla Support Camp facility at least **fourteen (14) days** before making the change. The notification shall contain a **description of the proposed change in operation**. It is not necessary to make such a notification if **an application to vary** this Permit has been made and the Application contains a description of the proposed change. In this condition **'change in operation'** means a change in the nature or functioning, or an extension, of the installation, which may have consequences for the environment, including but not limited to the following:

i) Changes in construction, structure, layout of the facility;

ii) Installation of new and/or changes to equipment, machine, apparatus, mechanism, system or technology serving the facility or operation; and

iii) Any technology installed at the facility from which effluent may be discharged.

1.3 Maintain good house-keeping, sanitary and hygienic practices, and improvement in the aesthetic quality of the surroundings at all times.

1.4 Promote the conservation and efficient use of energy. Options for energy efficiency are described but not limited to those identified below:

1.4.1 The use of appropriate electrical fixtures and equipment that will allow for the efficient utilisation of energy, for example, replacing incandescent lamps with compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) and LED lights, installation of Energy Star labeled or other equivalent appliances where possible and installation of solar water heaters and solar panels.

1.4.2 The use of occupancy sensors and/or timers for areas of your Camp that are less frequently used such as hallways, outdoor areas, or bathrooms.

1.4.3 Ensuring all exterior doors of air-conditioned spaces are properly sealed to avoid losing cool air.

2.0 EMPLOYEES AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

2.1 Adhere to the requirements of **the Occupational Safety and Health Act, Cap. 99:01, Laws of Guyana.**

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2.2 Provide adequate fire protection measures in all operating areas. Place firefighting equipment such as fire extinguishers, sand buckets, fire pumps at visible locations on site, in accordance with guidelines established by the Guyana Fire Service.

2.3 Ensure all firefighting equipment are maintained and serviced regularly in accordance with guidelines established by the Guyana Fire Service.

2.4 Establish and regularly update the Company's evacuation plan which must be posted in a conspicuous location for all staff to be aware of.

2.5 Install an alarm system and ensure that all employees are aware of the emergency response protocol and their duties and responsibilities according to the evacuation plan.

2.6 Prepare and maintain a training file for employees and third-party contractors, which should be available upon Officers' request during Compliance Inspection.

2.7 Employees and third-party contractors must, at all times, be equipped with the necessary protective equipment to their job specification such as; hi-visibility vests, hard hats, gloves, dust mask and appropriate footwear and ensure appropriate utilization of these gear.

2.8 Prepare and maintain an employee log of distribution of Personal Protective Equipment.

2.9 Provide well-equipped first aid and snake bite kits at all work sites and ensure that communication and transportation systems are in place to respond to emergencies.

2.10 Ensure that proper prophylactic or other acceptable measures are implemented to protect workers and other persons from malaria and other harmful diseases at the Camp Site.

2.11 Inform all employees and third parties of the relevant conditions of the Environmental Permit (Renewed) and provide training on good environmental management practices occupational health and safety and of their obligations under this Permit on a regular basis.

2.12 Maintain the employment of an Environmental Officer that would be responsible for coordinating Environmental Management, implementing the conditions of this Permit, ensuring employees are trained in environmental management and Emergency Response Procedures and capable of monitoring for compliance with this Permit.

3.0 WATER QUALITY AND DRAINAGE MANAGEMENT

3.1 Adhere to the provisions of the **Environmental Protection (Water Quality) Regulations, 2000.**

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3.2 Direct all waste lines and drains carrying grease, fats, or culinary oil, or similar waste products from the kitchen area into one or more grease trap interceptors. All required grease trap interceptors shall comply with the following:

- Be constructed of durable, corrosion-resistant materials and have water-tight covers securely fastened in place.
- Have a flow rate sufficient to handle the maximum demand of the connected system.
- Be installed at strategic locations to allow accessibility for convenient removal of the lid and internal contents.
- Be designed and installed with proper venting to avoid becoming air bound.
- Be properly cleaned and maintained according to manufacturer's recommended frequency.

3.3 Emergency spill cleanup kits shall be maintained at all fuel storage sites for response to potential spills. Kits should contain absorbent materials, drain seals and other appropriate tools for clean-up. Oil spills should be cleaned-up by the best practicable means, to prevent runoff into the waterways.

3.4 Fuel/lubricants including waste oils shall not be drained from equipment onto the ground or into waterways.

3.5 Direct grey water and discharges from the septic system to the soak away systems located at the Camp Site.

3.6 Ensure that the base of the soak away is permanently above the water table.

3.7 Avoid excessive or inappropriate use of cleaning chemicals. Use of biodegradable/water-based cleaning products is encouraged.

3.8 Promote the conservation of water resources by minimising water consumed in the operation of the support camp, bunker houses and bathroom areas, mess hall and kitchen area for example; the installation of low-flow showerheads (0.5 to 2 gpm) and sink aerators (0.25 gpm to 0.5 gpm for hand and face washing and 2.2 gpm for dish washing).

4.0 WASTE MANAGEMENT

4.1 Adhere to the provisions of the **Environmental Protection (Litter Enforcement) Regulations, 2013**.

4.2 Comply with the Regulations No. 8 of 2015 – the **Environmental Protection (Expanded Polystyrene Ban) Regulations 6 (1)**, which states that "*no Food Service Establishment shall sell or provide food for consumption, either on or off*

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the said Establishment's premises, in expanded polystyrene food service products."

4.3 Eliminate or substantially reduce the use of plastics, e.g. disposable cups and dishes, etc., where feasible. Adequately dispose, reuse and/or recycle all waste materials.

4.4 Maintain the separation of food waste in covered garbage receptacles at strategic locations, both within and outside the established Waratilla support camp on site.

4.5 At all times, garbage receptacles, both inside and outside of the various camp facilities, should be emptied, cleaned and maintained on a regular basis, to prevent the fall or flow of garbage in the surrounding environment and attraction of rodents and other vermin.

4.6 Ensure effective management of recoverable materials and all waste generated by the project is in accordance with s. 19(1)(2)(3) of the EP Act, Cap 20:05, Laws of Guyana.

4.7 Promote proper solid waste management and disposal practices in and around the support camp. Waste shall not be disposed of in or near the waterways.

4.8 Burning is prohibited unless otherwise approved by the Environmental Protection Agency.

4.9 Implement waste control measures to minimise odour and loss of visual aesthetics around the solid waste pit.

4.10 Maintain all septic tank systems on site at all times. The septic tank should not be located within 1.5 m of a building or property boundary and should be accessible for cleaning and de-sludging. Any modification to the Septic tanks must be in accordance with the Guyana National Bureau of Standards (GNBS) ***Code of Practice for the Design and Construction of Septic Tanks and Associated Secondary Treatment and Disposal Systems***.

4.11 Ensure that sludge from grease trap (s) is properly disposed of by an EPA approved contracted waste disposal service.

5.0 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

5.1 Adhere to the provisions of the **Environmental Protection (Hazardous Waste Management) Regulations, 2000**, and the stipulations within the **Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals Act, No. 13 of 2000**, the Pesticides and **Toxic Chemicals Regulations, No. 8 of 2004**, the **Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals (Amendment) Regulations, No. 8 of 2007**.

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5.2 The Hazardous Material Storage areas shall be clearly labelled, secured and well illuminated when not in use. The following warning signs shall be clearly posted:

(a)Danger- Chemical Storage Area "Authorized Personnel Only"
(b)Read and Follow all label directions
(c)No Smoking
(d) No Eating or Drinking

5.3 Establish and maintain a register of hazardous materials or chemicals used or generated by the operation. Submit to the Agency, twice yearly (June and December), a report on hazardous waste generation and management for the previous six months including (please see attached form):

- The name, location and type of facility.
- Types and quantities (in metric units) of hazardous waste generated.
- Manner of storage, use, any applied treatment standards/methods and disposal of these substances.
- Data concerning off-site shipments of waste, i.e. local disposal facility utilized, country to which hazardous waste is shipped, purpose of shipment and amount of waste shipped.
- A summary of any accidents that may have occurred and any action taken.
- Any waste minimization efforts undertaken by your facility for hazardous material/waste.
- Any other matter the Agency may require.

The Agency considers all materials listed in Schedule I and II of the **Environmental Protection (Hazardous Wastes Management) Regulations, 2000**, to be hazardous. (Please see attached list.)

5.4 (a) Collect and store waste oils, used batteries, and any other hazardous waste on site until ready for disposal in a manner approved by the EPA.

(b)Refrain from draining fuel/ lubricants, including waste oils of any quantity from equipment on to the ground and waterways.

5.5 Contain all chemicals securely and conform to the safety conditions as outlined in the Material Safety Data Sheet for each chemical. Keep all chemicals in well-sealed and individually labeled containers and properly store in an impervious and well-ventilated room/bond.

5.6 Safety Data Sheets for all hazardous materials shall be readily available and easily accessible at all times at the Facility.

5.7 Take the necessary precautionary measures during the transport, transfer, use and handling of all hazardous material.

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5.8 Implement a programme to ensure regular and preventative maintenance of machinery and equipment to prevent leaks and minimize air emissions and hydrocarbon releases.

5.9 All hazardous waste shall be stored in a covered, bunded area. This area shall include the following:
(a) Signage- "Hazardous Waste Storage Area";
(b) Low traffic;
(c) No floor drains; and
(d) Secondary containment capable of containing 110% of the largest volume therein.

5.10 Do not service vehicles in mining pits except in instances of emergency repairs.

5.11 Maintain emergency spill cleanup kits on site for response to spills.

5.12 A fully stocked first- aid kit shall be readily available at the hazardous storage Facility.

5.13 Material storage containers shall be inspected weekly for signs of leakage or corrosion and damaged containers must be replaced immediately. Inspection Reports must be maintained and signed by the appropriately qualified inspecting officer and his/her supervisor.

5.14 Elevate all waste oil/ chemical tanks and containers so that leaks are easily identifiable.

5.15 Collect and store waste oils on site, until ready for disposal or reuse. It is an offence to drain fuel/lubricants including waste oils of any quantity from equipment onto the ground or water way.

6.0 FUEL HANDLING AND STORAGE

6.1 Fuel shall at all times be stored above-ground, in a cool, dry place and away from ignition sources. 'No Smoking' signs shall be posted where fuel is handled or stored.

6.2 Construct and maintain an impervious secondary containment wall around fuel storage tanks, creating a temporary holding area in the event of accidental spillage. The containment wall for areas with multiple tanks must have the capacity to provide at least 110% containment of the largest tank. The containment wall for areas with solitary tanks must have the capacity to provide 110% containment of each fuel tank. The containment wall MUST be fully sealed to prevent spillage into the receiving drainage system.

6.3 Secondary containment, drip trays or other overflow and drip containment measures shall be installed and maintained at connection points or other possible overflow points.

6.4 Existing secondary containment around the fuel tanks shall be inspected monthly for cracks and breakage to ensure they are liquid tight to withstand hydrostatic pressure.

6.5 All piping must enter or exit the containment over the wall and no part of the tank infrastructure (e.g. dispenser, filing hoses and valves) shall protrude outside the containment.

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6.6 Ensure that adequate signage is installed in fuel storage areas, such as No Smoking, Flammable Materials, etc.

6.7 Protection measures for fuel storage tanks such as painting and coating shall be maintained to minimize corrosion of fuel tanks.

6.8 Maintenance and/ or repair of fittings, pipes and hoses shall be conducted monthly and in accordance to manufacturer's specifications. A summarized inspection report shall be compiled and submitted to the Agency as part of the Annual Report required in condition 16.2.

6.9 Secondary containment, drip trays or other overflow and drip containment measures shall be installed and maintained at connection points or other possible overflow points.

6.10 Leak detection systems shall be installed on all fuel tanks. At least two (2) of the following measures should be implemented:

(a) Overflow alarms on tanks;
(b) Gauging system;
(c) Dipstick measurements;
(d) Sensors on walls of tanks; or
(e) Electric shut down buttons

7.0 HAUL ROADS

7.1 Maintain all active roads/trails leading to the support camp. Fill in ruts and holes that develop during road/trail use. Use a suitable material (such as compacted fill), and fill as soon as possible to reduce the potential for erosion.

7.2 Ensure that all vehicles on site are equipped with the necessary reflecting signage to warn the public of impending danger of parked/moving trucks with or without staff.

7.3 Ensure adequate safety signs are erected along all roads leading to and from the support camp informing users of dangerous bends, crossing of haul trucks, speed limits, etc.

8.0 INCINERATOR AND AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

8.1 Adhere to the provisions of the **Environmental Protection (Air Quality) Regulations, 2000.**

8.2 Develop and maintain an inventory of all emission sources on site.

Conduct fence line monitoring to determine compliance with the Maximum Permissible Levels identified in the Table below:

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Air Pollutant	**Averaging Time**	**Maximum Permissible Level**	**Type of Monitoring**	**Frequency of Monitoring**
$PM_{2.5}$	24 h	25 µg/m3	Ambient	Quarterly
Carbon Monoxide	1 h	35ppm	Ambient	Annual
Nitrogen Dioxide	1 h	200µg/m3	Ambient	Annual
Sulphur Dioxide	24 h	20 µg/m3	Ambient	Annual
Air Pollutant	**Averaging Time**	**Maximum Permissible Level**	**Type of Monitoring**	**Frequency of Monitoring**

6.3 Conduct annual stack emission testing of the incinerator to determine compliance with the Maximum Permissible Levels identified in the Table below:

Air Pollutant	**Maximum Pollutant Level**
Carbon Monoxide CO	1000mg/m3
Particulate Matter	100 mg/m3
Sulphuric Acid or suphuric trioxide	100 mg/m3 as sulphur trioxide equivalent
Nitric acid or oxides of nitrogen	350 mg/m3

6.4 Ensure stack heights and configurations on all stationary sources of emissions are in keeping with Good Engineering Practice Stack Height (HGEP) to avoid excessive ground level concentrations of contaminants.

- HGEP = H+ 1.5 L
- HGEP = good engineering practice stack height, measured from the ground-level elevation at the base of the stack
- H =height of nearby structure(s) measured from ground-level elevation at the base of the stack
- L =lesser dimension, height (H) or projected width, of nearby structure(s)

6.5 Designate a permanent area within the Waratilla Support Camp for the operation and storage of the portable (high temperature) incinerator. The area should be enclosed during storage and properly ventilated with an impermeable base.

6.6 Ensure that the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the portable incinerator is being followed at all times, from start-up and shut down procedures, normal operation, and maintenance procedures

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6.7 Ensure that the incinerator is used and regularly maintained according to manufacturer's specification.

6.8 Incinerate only items in keeping with the Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) of the Incinerator.

6.9 Store, manage and dispose of ashes generated from incineration in an environmentally sound manner.

6.10 Ensure the incinerator is operated only by trained personnel, who should always be present during incineration of waste. Conduct weekly safety meetings with **ALL** staff members involved in the operation and maintenance of the incinerator as a means of involving and consulting employees in all Health, Safety and Environmental related matters.

6.11 Take all necessary precautions to reduce any instances of particulates released into the environment from the operation.

6.12 Employ all practical measures for vehicles traversing to and from the Waratilla Support Camp to control and prevent fugitive dust impacts from the operation of the camp site. Utilise dust suppression methods such as watering on a regular basis throughout the facility within the support camp area.

6.13 Operate all mechanical equipment in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. Additionally, ensure that all mechanical equipment and vehicles are regularly maintained and operated at their optimal levels to minimize atmospheric emissions

9.0 NOISE MANAGEMENT

9.1 Adhere to the **Environmental Protection (Noise Management) Regulations, 2000.**

9.2 Ensure all significant noise producing equipment, e.g., generators, heavy duty machineries etc. are equipped with appropriate silencers or mufflers and/or are enclosed in suitable acoustic enclosures, where necessary to achieve compliance with the GNBS requirements.

9.3 Maintain equipment/machinery in accordance with manufacturers' specifications to reduce noise emissions (e.g. lubrication of conveyor components, servicing of vehicle braking systems).

9.4 Comply with the **Guyana National Bureau of Standards (GNBS)** ***Guidelines for Noise Emission into the Environment*** at a distance of 15 m (50 ft) from the source or at the property boundary, whichever is closer.

- Industrial Limits: **100 dB** (Day-time (06:00 h -18:00 h))
  80 dB (Night-time (18:00 h - 06:00 h))

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9.5 Monitor noise emissions from the operations at the fence line for at least 30 minutes during regular operations to determine compliance with the requirement in condition 7.4. Monitoring should be conducted on **quarterly, during the day and night**, all records should be maintained and results submitted in the annual report to the EPA.

9.6 Submit an inventory of noise producing equipment on site and the associated occupational exposure noise level reading with one (1) month after operation resumes.

10.0 COMPLIANCE MONITORING AND REPORTING

10.1 Monitor the implementation of the conditions of this Permit, insofar as they involve adherence by employees and all other third parties under your direction.

10.2 Submit **Annual Environmental Reports** to the EPA on or before **March 31** every year of environmental management activities; status of the project, progress of the implementation of the EMP, monitoring activities, as well as compliance with the conditions of this Permit. (Please see attached the reporting format for the preparation of Environmental Annual Reports.)

10.3 Ensure the reports and records of monitoring include the following:

- The names of the individuals and designations, who conducted sampling, prepared and compiled the reports;
- The date, place/location, time, weather conditions, techniques and methods used in sampling;
- The date the measurements were compiled or analysed and the names of the individuals who compiled the information;
- Observations, readings, calculations, benchmarks, bench data, the results of analyses;
- Limitations of the sampling process and all other occurrence at the time of study, which may affect the results;
- Possible sources of error during monitoring activities;
- Photographs and drawings of all relevant aspects of the operation; and
- The state of operation of facilities at the time of measurement, including planned and unplanned shutdowns, production levels and achievement of design capacity, identification of release point, source of release and substances being released.

10.4 Notify the EPA within **twenty-four (24) hours** of the occurrence of any environmental emergencies.

10.5 Immediately notify the EPA of any accidental release of contaminants or incidence of pollution into the environment. The Permit Holder shall provide the financial,

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equipment and technical capacity to adequately respond to any emergency that may occur on site and emergency response shall be immediate.

10.6 Comply with any lawful directions given by the EPA from time-to-time in furtherance of the implementation of any international or other obligations for the environmental protection.

10.7 Report any occurrences of illegal wildlife trapping and trading in the project area to the EPA and Wildlife Management Authority.

10.8 Be responsible for payment for all environmental audits and compliance monitoring associated with this Permit.

11.0 LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION FOR POLLUTION DAMAGE

11.1 The Permit Holder, his Servants, Agents and/or Sub-Contractor(s) shall be strictly liable for any loss and / or damage to the environment through any act caused intentionally or recklessly, through the adverse effect of any discharge or release, or cause or permit the entry of pollution, contaminant in any amount, concentration or level in excess of those prescribed by the regulations or stipulated by any environmental authorisation, which are attributed to the Project. (s.19(1) EP Act).

11.2 Where the Permit Holder in accordance with s. 19(3) is found liable for the contaminant or for the process involving the contaminant or who causes or permits a discharge as aforementioned in relation to above, shall:

(a) immediately notify the Agency of –

(i)the discharge;

(ii) the concentration and amount contaminant

(iii) the circumstances of the discharge;

(iv) what action the person has taken or intends to take to restore the natural environment;

(b) be liable to pay for the cost of an independent investigation into the discharge.

11.3 The Permit Holder shall be guilty of any offence in accordance with s. 39 (1), (2), (3), (4) of the EP Act, Laws of Guyana, which states every person who causes material or serious environmental harm by polluting the environment intentionally or recklessly and with the knowledge that material and or / serious environmental harm will or might result is guilty of an offence and shall be liable to the penalties prescribed under the said Act.

11.4 The Permit Holder shall compensate any party who suffers any loss or damage as a result of the attributed project. (PART V s. 19 (3) (e)).

11.5 To the extent permitted by Law, the Permit Holder shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Agency (EPA) from liability including all claims and losses, and all related costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgements, interest and penalties) resulting

to any person, firm or corporation that may be injured or damaged as a result of the Permit Holder in the performance of the said project, that are attributed to the negligence or tortuous acts of the Permit Holder or any of its sub – contractors and / or by anyone else for whose acts any of them may be liable.

11.6 The Permit Holder shall not be indemnified by the Agency for any activity that causes or is likely to cause pollution to the environment, resulting from adverse effects through the discharge, any contaminant in any amount, concentration, ultra-hazardous substances, chemicals or otherwise, and shall be rendered liable to prosecution and to penalties prescribed under the Environmental Protection Act and Regulations.

12.0 INSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY/LIABILITIES

12.1 The EPA reserves the right to conduct regular inspections of the Permit Holder's operation as part of its monitoring and enforcement requirements under the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection (Authorisations) Regulations, 2000.

12.2 The EPA reserves the right to review and/or amend the permit conditions and fees attached to this Permit, which also includes the review and/or amendment of permit fees in consideration of any changes in fee structure as determined by the Agency for projects of this nature.

12.3 The EPA shall have the right to cancel or suspend this Permit for breach of any of the terms and conditions contained herein.

12.4 The Permit Holder, his Servants, Agents and/or Sub-Contractor(s) shall, at all times, allow entry to the Permitted facility to any Officer designated by the EPA for the purposes of conducting inspections or any other legitimate business of the Agency. Pursuant to s.38 of Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, it is an offence to assault, obstruct or hinder an authorised person in the execution of his/her duty under the said Act or its Regulations and the Permit Holder shall be liable to penalties prescribed under paragraph (c) of the Fifth Schedule for doing so.

12.5 The Permit Holder shall comply strictly with section 39 (1), (2), (3) and (4) of the Environmental Protection Act Cap 20:05, Laws of Guyana.

12.6 This Environmental Permit is not the final consent; all relevant permissions should be obtained from other regulatory bodies for continued operation.

12.7 The Agency (EPA) shall notify the Permit Holder immediately of any written claim or notice sent by any complainant seeking loss or damage for negligence as a result of the Permit Holder's lack of due care and diligence.

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12.8 The Permit Holder, his Servants, Agents and/or Sub-Contractors shall be liable of any gross negligence or willful misconduct caused to the biodiversity, protected species and natural habitat with respect to any release or discharge, spill, contaminant fluids, oil or lubricants from the fuel storage.

12.9 Where it appears to the Agency (EPA) that the Permit Holder is engaged in any activity that may pose serious threat to natural resources or serious pollution of the Environment or any damage to public health, the (EPA) shall issue to the Permit Holder a Prohibition Notice Order to immediately cease the offending activity. S. 27 EP Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana.

12.10 Should the Permit Holder contravene or is likely to contravene any condition of this Permit, the Agency (EPA) may serve him an enforcement notice in accordance with s. 26 of the EP Act Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana.

12.11 This Environmental Permit is effective for the period stipulated herein **October, 2022 to September, 2027.**

12.12 This Permit shall remain valid until **September 31, 2027,** unless otherwise suspended or revoked in accordance with the provisions of this Permit or the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000.

12.13 This Permit must be renewed by submitting a completed Application Form for Renewal of Environmental Authorisation to the Agency at least six months before this Permit expires, that is, no later than **March 30, 2027.**

12.14 Any late submission of renewal Application(s) after the specified date as stated above, shall require the Permit Holder to pay, in addition to the renewal fee, a late penalty fee (accruing at the time such obligation was first owed for renewal) at a rate of **two thousand dollars (GY$2,000.00)** per day for every day late, until such renewal application is submitted to the Agency, without prejudice to any other rights of the Permit Holder in connection therewith.

12.15 Failure to comply with the requirements of this Permit shall render the Permit Holder liable to prosecution and to civil penalties and/or injunctive reliefs prescribed under the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection (Authorisations) Regulations, 2000, including under any existing and forthcoming regulations made under the said Act or any other applicable Laws of Guyana.

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Signed by _____ on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Environmental Protection Agency
Kemraj Parsaram
Executive Director
Executive Director

Date 2022.10.19

I hereby accept the above terms and conditions upon which this Environmental Permit is granted and agree to abide by the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000, and any forthcoming regulations and standards made under this Act.

NAME	ELLIOTT LINCOLN
DESIGNATION	CEO
SIGNATURE	
DATE	26/10/22