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Report Number: 067359

Tenerife Fish Processing
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Dear Tenerife Fish Processing

Re: Notice Letter, Permit 7982, Tenerife Fish Processing - Port Edward, Effluent

On September 20, 2017, Ministry of Environment, Environmental Protection Division staff conducted an inspection of your facility, Tenerife Fish Processing located at Tenerife Fish Processing - Port Edward with authorization number 7982 under the *Environmental Management Act*. Ministry staff were accompanied on site by Allen Johnson, Tenerife Fish Processing.

Inspection Details:

Requirement Description:	1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1 1.1.1: The discharge of effluent to which this Sub-Section is applicable is from a fish processing plant as shown on the attached Site Plan. The reference number (S.E.A.M. site number) for this discharge is E220185. 1.1.1 The maximum rate at which effluent may be discharged is 30 m ³ /day during the period of March 1 - September 30, annually.
Details/Findings:	<p>On September 20th, 2017 Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Officers Chris Garda and Neil Bailey (Officers) conducted a on-site inspection of the Tenerife Packing Company Ltd. fish processing facility located in Port Edward (Site) and authorized under PE-7982 (Permit). The inspection was conducted as follow-up to Pollution Prevention Order PO#106331 (Order) issued on August 3, 2012, as well as Inspection Record 30309 which referred the Site for investigation on September 22nd, 2016, for failure to comply with the Order. The Officers were accompanied onsite by Allan Johnson (Johnson), the Site owner and operator. The time frame assessed within this inspection report is from September 22nd, 2016 to September 26th, 2017.</p> <p>Mr. Johnson stated that no discharge has passed through the septic system since the Order was issued, and that no discharge has passed through the modified outfall pipe since last inspection conducted on September 22nd, 2016. A photograph taken by the Officers during the September 20th, 2017 site inspection shows that the outflow from the septic tank is cut and capped with vegetation flattened down around it, a 3 inch PVC pipe that extends from the ground has been cut and capped (see attached Photo 1). A modified outfall pipe that connects directly to the floor drain and sump within the fish processing building runs along the boat launch to below the high water mark, no sign of discharge was evident at the time of inspection (see attached Photos 2 and 3).</p> <p>The Officers then inspected the fish processing building. The salmon cutting machine for fish processing has been removed, and the building is currently being used for storage. Mr. Johnson stated that no fish processing has occurred at the Site since the Order was issued, and that the sinks and washroom are not currently being used. A floor drain and sump that connects to the modified outflow pipe showed no signs of recent use (see Photo 4). Mr. Johnson stated that he wants to comply with the Order and take the necessary actions to resume fish processing.</p>
Compliance:	Not Applicable

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Actions to be taken:	<p>As stated in the Order, the Permittee must have the works that collect, treat and discharge sewage and fish processing effluent assessed by a qualified professional to determine the current status and to identify what improvements are required to ensure compliance with the Permit. The assessment of works and recommended improvements must be documented and submitted in writing to the Director, and the recommended improvements must be in place and approved by the Director prior to discharging from the works authorized by the Permit.</p> <p>If the works are to remain inactive and the Site will no longer have any discharges, then the Permittee may consider canceling the Permit. During a cancellation or suspension, the Permit would not be valid and the Permittee would have no rights or obligations under the Permit. Additional information on how to request an amendment, or suspension or cancellation, may be found here: http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/change-authorizations</p>
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<p>Compliance history:</p> <p>On June 22nd, 2011 the Site was inspected and found in compliance, a Notice of compliance was issued.</p> <p>On August 3rd, 2012 Pollution Prevention Order #106331 was issued, which required the Site to immediately cease all discharges from the Site to the septic tank.</p> <p>On July 15th, 2013 a Warning was issued for failure to comply with Order #106331, and allowing discharge of effluent to the septic tank.</p> <p>On September 22nd, 2016 the Site was referred for investigation due to failure to comply with Order #106331.</p> <p>Please submit all annual/quarterly/monthly reports and data submissions to the Ministry's Routine Environmental Reporting Submission Mailbox at EnvAuthorizationsReporting@gov.bc.ca. More information about the reporting requirements may be found at http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/data-and-report-submissions/routine-environmental-reporting-submission-mailbox.</p> <p>Please be advised that this inspection report may be published on the provincial website within 7 days.</p> <p>Officer Neil Bailey assisted in the preparation of this inspection report.</p>
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Below are attachments related to this inspection.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Chris Garda

Environmental Protection Officer

cc:

Attachments:	
1) 2017-09-20 NRIS Photo Record.pdf	2017-09-20 Photo Record

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It is also important to note that this inspection record does not necessarily reflect each requirement or condition of the authorization therefore compliance is noted only for the requirements or conditions listed in the inspection record.

NRIS Photo Record

Authorization: 7982	Client Name: Tenerife Packing Company Ltd.
NRIS IR#: 67359	Site Inspection Photos: September 20 th , 2017

Photo 1 – Capped septic tank outflow pipe. Capped PVC pipe extending into ground under vegetation.



Photo 2 – Modified septic outfall pipe extending down the boat launch and ending below the high tide level.



Photo 3 – End of modified outfall pipe, no sign of discharge visible



Photo 4 – Floor drainage ditch that was previously utilized to collect excess fish processing water.



