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To the Panel

Hello Everybody

My Name is Edwin Hofer and I represent the, Miami Colony Farms Ltd. Miami Colony is 5 Miles South and 4 miles of Morden Manitoba. We started the Farm 41 years ago in 1966, and are now farming 4800 acres, and own 4100, acres.

Miami Colony, have always had hogs, chickens, and Dairy cows. We now live together with, 110 People and are planning to farm and have livestock for many Generations.

I, remember drinking the same water with my Grandparents and Parents. I now have, A Daughter and she has two Children, and we are still drinking the same water after five generations

Why would we pollute our own water or the neighbors which live right beside us.

We have Livestock to make a living not to turn rich and move on after polluting the whole area.

Miami Colony has been on the C. Q. A. Canadian Quality Insurance Program since 2001 were all Medication is Government inspected and monitored and Government Veterinarians Regurly Inspect all livestock and Barns.

We have been good stewardess to our land and Practice up to date farm technology. We fallow all environment rules and regulations. Miami Colony has been on a Manure Management plan since 2003 .We hire Agricore United, to do our soil testing so that it's done professionally. We also analyze our liquid Hog manure for nitrogen and Phosphate then apply to farmland for one crop year for as much as that crop needs. The regulation has switched from Nitrogen to Phosphate that clings to the soil so tight, that the way it moves or leaches is with the soil itself.

If Manitoba does not, produce Hogs, another Provence will. Beside Livestock what has Manitoba got. Manitoba has no oilfields, no Mines, and no shore for Fish. Empty barns and feed lots produce Unemployment and generate no Revenue.

Manitoba Farmers should do what they do best.

Thank you

Signed *Edwin Hofer*