



**MINISTER OF CONSERVATION**

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Winnipeg, Manitoba, CANADA  
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November 8, 2006

Mr. Terry Sargeant  
Chair, Clean Environment Commission  
305 – 155 Carlton Street  
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3H8

Dear Mr. Sargeant:

Manitoba's hog industry is a growing and increasingly important component of Manitoba's economy. In order to better determine the current state of the environmental sustainability of the industry in Manitoba, I am requesting the CEC to conduct an investigation of this issue at this time.

As such, pursuant to Section 6(5) of *The Environment Act*, I am asking that the Clean Environment Commission conduct a review and produce a report on the environmental sustainability of this industry in Manitoba.

Important components of your review should include:

- An assessment of the Manitoba Government's current environmental protection measures now in place relating to hog production in Manitoba;
- Input gathered from public meetings from across Manitoba;
- A consideration of the report entitled "An Examination of the Environmental Sustainability of the Hog Industry in Manitoba" which was recently produced by my department.

I have provided a terms of reference which will help guide your exercise.

Thank you for undertaking this important task on behalf of the people of Manitoba.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stan Struthers".

Stan Struthers  
Minister



## **Terms of Reference**

### **Clean Environment Commission Investigation Into Hog Production in Manitoba**

#### **Mandate of the Investigation**

In accordance with section 6(5)(a), (b), and (c) of The Environment Act, the CEC at the request of the Minister of Conservation shall conduct an investigation into the environmental sustainability of hog production in Manitoba. For this purpose, the CEC will conduct public meetings and provide advice and recommendations to the Minister in accordance with the following terms of reference.

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1. The CEC, as a part of its investigation will review the current environmental protection measures now in place relating to hog production in Manitoba in order to determine their effectiveness for the purpose of managing hog production in an environmentally sustainable manner.
2. The CEC investigation must include a public component to gain advice and feedback from Manitobans. This public component should be conducted by means of public meetings in the various regions of



Manitoba to ensure broad participation from the general public and affected stakeholders.

3. The CEC investigation should include a review of the contents of the report prepared by Manitoba Conservation entitled “An Examination of the Environmental Sustainability of the Hog Industry in Manitoba.”

4. The CEC will, as part of this investigation, take into account the efforts underway in other jurisdictions to manage hog production in a sustainable manner.

5. As part of its investigation, and based on public feedback, the commission will consider various options and make recommendations in a report to the Minister on any improvements that may be necessary to provide for the environmental sustainability of hog production in Manitoba.