ITEM 8

MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 45

COUNCIL MEETING July 12/71

8. Re: Alberta Wheat Pool - Dust Problem.

At the meeting of May 25, 1971, Council received a letter from Mr. K.W. Stevenson in which he complained again of a dust problem at the Alberta Wheat Pool Grain Elevator and asked to be brought up to date as to the current situation in reference to their pollution control program. Council then instructed your Manager to investigate progress made by the Alberta Wheat Pool administration with regard to installation of dust control equipment.

Your Manager reports as follows:

- In that the elevator is located within Vancouver City boundaries, our Chief Public Health Inspector has contacted the Vancouver Air Pollution Control Officer. The latter advises that, although June 1, 1971 was set as a target-date for installation and operation of dust control equipment, installation is still in progress. Incomplete engineering studies and difficulty in obtaining equipment are the two essential reasons why the target-date of June 1, 1971 was not met.
- We have also contacted Mr. W. Pollock, who is acting in the absence of Mr. H. Moen, Manager of Alberta Wheat Pool, and are advised as follows:
 - Of ten dust-control systems for the elevator operation, three will be operational by July 7, 1971, and all systems fully operational by September 30, 1971;
 - Alberta Wheat Pool is presently installing a pellet plant incorporating dust-control equipment. Pellet dust will be temporarily stored in holding bins until both the pellet plant and its dust-control system are also fully operational by September 30, 1971. In the interim, Alberta Wheat Pool will be taking every reasonable measure to ensure that dust from the pellet plant will be kept to a minimum.

As we have already formally advised Mr. K.W. Stevenson of these findings, it is recommended that his communication of May 12, 1971, be filed.