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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 17

COUNCIL MEETING 90/03/05

RE: PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A VAPOUR RECOVERY SYSTEM FOR CHEVRON TANK TRUCK LOADING RACK AT 355 NORTH WILLINGDON, BURNABY

## ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Planning & Building Inspection be adopted.

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

DATE: 1990 FEBRUARY 28

FROM:

DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION

SUBJECT: PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A VAPOUR RECOVERY

SYSTEM FOR CHEVRON TANK TRUCK LOADING RACK AT

355 NORTH WILLINGDON, BURNABY

PURPOSE: TO PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH INFORMATION ON PRELIMINARY PLAN

APPROVAL APPLICATION #9547.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for the information of Council.

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION:

The Planning and Building Inspection Department has received a Preliminary Plan Approval application (#9547) from Chevron Canada Ltd. for the installation of a vapour recovery system for the existing tank truck loading rack at 355 North Willingdon.

This report is submitted consistent with the long-standing direction of Council to report on proposed oil storage or processing facilities in the Municipality.

# 2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

It will be recalled that recently Council received a report on Preliminary Plan Approval #9360 for proposed modifications to the Fluid Catalytic Cracking Unit at the Chevron Refinery. (Item 20 Manager's Report #55).

One of the conditions of P.P.A. #9360 was Chevron's undertaking to install a vapour recovery system in connection with the existing North Burnaby Tank Truck loading rack.

In the course of discussions with the oil company's representatives during the approval process, Chevron gave its commitment to construct the vapour recovery system by Mid 1991. The current application (P.P.A. #9547) has been submitted in accordance with this commitment.

# 3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION:

3.1 Chevron's current P.P.A. application (#9547) involves a 1.8 million dollar installation of a vapour recovery system at the existing tank truck loading rack. Installation of this equipment is part of the hydrocarbon emission reduction program which Chevron initiated concurrent with issuance of P.P.A. #9360 on 1989 September 18.

3.2 The hydrocarbon vapours generated at the tank truck loading rack have been identified as the source of several neighbourhood odour complaints.

One of the primary sources of these hydrocarbon vapours occurs at the point of discharge during the transferring of petroleum products.

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Vapours are released through the tank vents if splashing occurs within the tank which promotes vapour production.

- 3.3 The proposed vapour recovery system is based on absorption of hydrocarbons on an activated carbon bed followed by regeneration of the carbon bed with air and recovery of the stripped hydrocarbons into a circulating gasoline stream. The proposed facilities will substantially reduce these hydrocarbon emissions. Chevron has indicated that the recovery rate of the subject system is 98%.
- 3.4 As a part of the installation of this facility Chevron has agreed to employ the following:
  - a) All new pumps will be fitted with mechanical seals rather than packing.
  - b) All new electric motors will be of high efficiency, quiet design.
  - c) An adequate spare equipment stock will be maintained on-site to ensure a highly reliable operating factor.
- 3.5 This project has no effect on refinery throughput capacity. Its sole purpose is to reduce hydrocarbon emissions to the atmosphere.
- 3.6 Chevron's anticipated completion for this project is mid 1991.

## 4.0 MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT REFERRALS:

This application was referred to the Burnaby Fire Prevention Bureau and the Environmental Health Departments for review and comment. Their comments are as follows:

4.1 Fire Prevention Bureau

"Installation of this facility to be done in accordance with good Engineering practise. Detailed structural drawings to be submitted to the Fire Prevention Office for approval."

- 4.2 Environmental Health Department
  - 1. A detailed plan of the vapour recovery system along with a summary of its operation, generation of by-product and subsequent disposal (if any), and emergency procedures in an event of system failure must be provided to this Department.
  - 2. The vapour recovery system shall be capable of collecting all organic vapours and gases, with a vapour return or disposal system capable of processing such vapours or gases so as to prevent their emissions to the atmosphere at an efficiency of at least 95% by weight (Requirements as per Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District - Rules and Regulations).

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3. All pipings, valves and fittings must be vapour tight.

# 5.0 CONCLUSION:

The installation of this proposed Vapour Recovery System will substantially reduce hydrocarbon emissions to the atmosphere from tank truck loading operations. This project has no effect upon refinery throughput capacity and represents a necessary step in the fulfillment of a condition of a previous P.P.A.

Chevron's application has been reviewed by and has received favourable comments from the Environmental Health and Fire Departments. The Planning and Building Inspection Department will continue to work with Chevron to ensure that this proposal satisfies all other relevant Bylaw requirements prior to issuance of Preliminary Plan Approval.

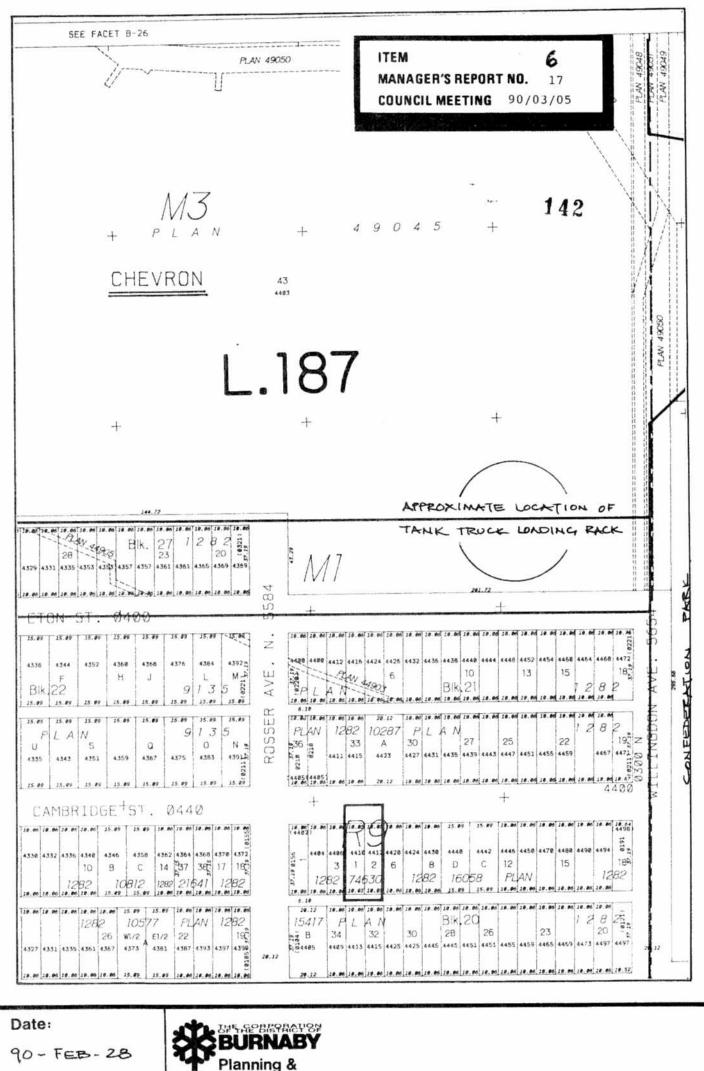
This report is submitted for the information of Council.

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TA/ds Attachment

Chief Public Health Inspection Chief Fire Prevention Officer



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Planning & Building Inspection Department

SKETCH SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF PROPOSED NEW VAPOUR RECOVERY SYSTEM AT CHEVRON'S EXISTING TANK TRUCK LONDING RACK.

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P.P. A. # 9547