Your Ref:
 RAL22/0014

 Our Ref:
 F22/01

14 August, 2022

Chief Executive Officer Mareeba Shire Council PO Box 154 MAREEBA QLD 4880



Attention: Carl Ewin Town Planning Department

Dear Sir,

#### RE: RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUEST APPLICATION FOR A MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE – NON-RESIDENT WORKFORCE ACCOMMODATION. LOT 512 ON NR8022, KENNEDY HIGHWAY, MAREEBA. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION RAL22/0015.

I refer to the Mareeba Shire Council's Confirmation Notice and subsequent Information Request letter dated 24 June, 2022. The following advices are provided for your information in accordance with the Development Assessment Rules, 2017 supported by the *Planning Act, 2016*.

It is noted that with the review, investigations and provision of the requested Further Information, the resulting undertakings has demonstrated the ability for the additional provision of Non-Resident Workforce. This, as a result of the Water and Sewer Investigations, has led to the provision of a Stage 2 of the proposed Development. Please find attached Amended Proposal Plans demonstrating the additional Stage 2.

Stage 2 includes the provision of an additional 24 Units provided within six additional buildings resulting in the total development now accommodation for 64 persons Non-Resident Workforce. Additional Parking has been provided to accommodate proposed Stage 2.

#### Information Request Item 1

#### Wastewater Disposal

It is noted in the application that wastewater will be disposed of on-site. Please provide a report, prepared by a suitably qualified wastewater consultant, outlining the proposed means of wastewater disposal. The report should demonstrate that enough area exists on the subject land to accommodate the wastewater disposal system/s and associated land application areas.

Attached to this Response is a Site Assessment and Design Report by the Dirt Professionals demonstrating that the provision of adequate and acceptable On-site Sewerage can be achieved.

#### Information Request Item 2

#### Water Supply

It is noted in the application that water supply will be made available through the SunWater channel network. Please provide evidence of a SunWater allocation large enough to service the anticipated water supply demand of the development. The wastewater consultant engaged to address point 1 should be able to provide the anticipated daily water usage estimates.

Attached to this Response is a SunWater Water Account Statement demonstrating that the site contains a 5.00 ML Water Allocation. The Dirt Professionals and Applicants have confirmed that this Allocation of Water Supply is sufficient and acceptable for the proposed development.

#### Information Request Item 3

#### Manager/Caretaker's Residence

Please confirm your level of support for the provision of a manager/caretaker residence on-site to help minimise health and safety concerns as well as antisocial behaviour.

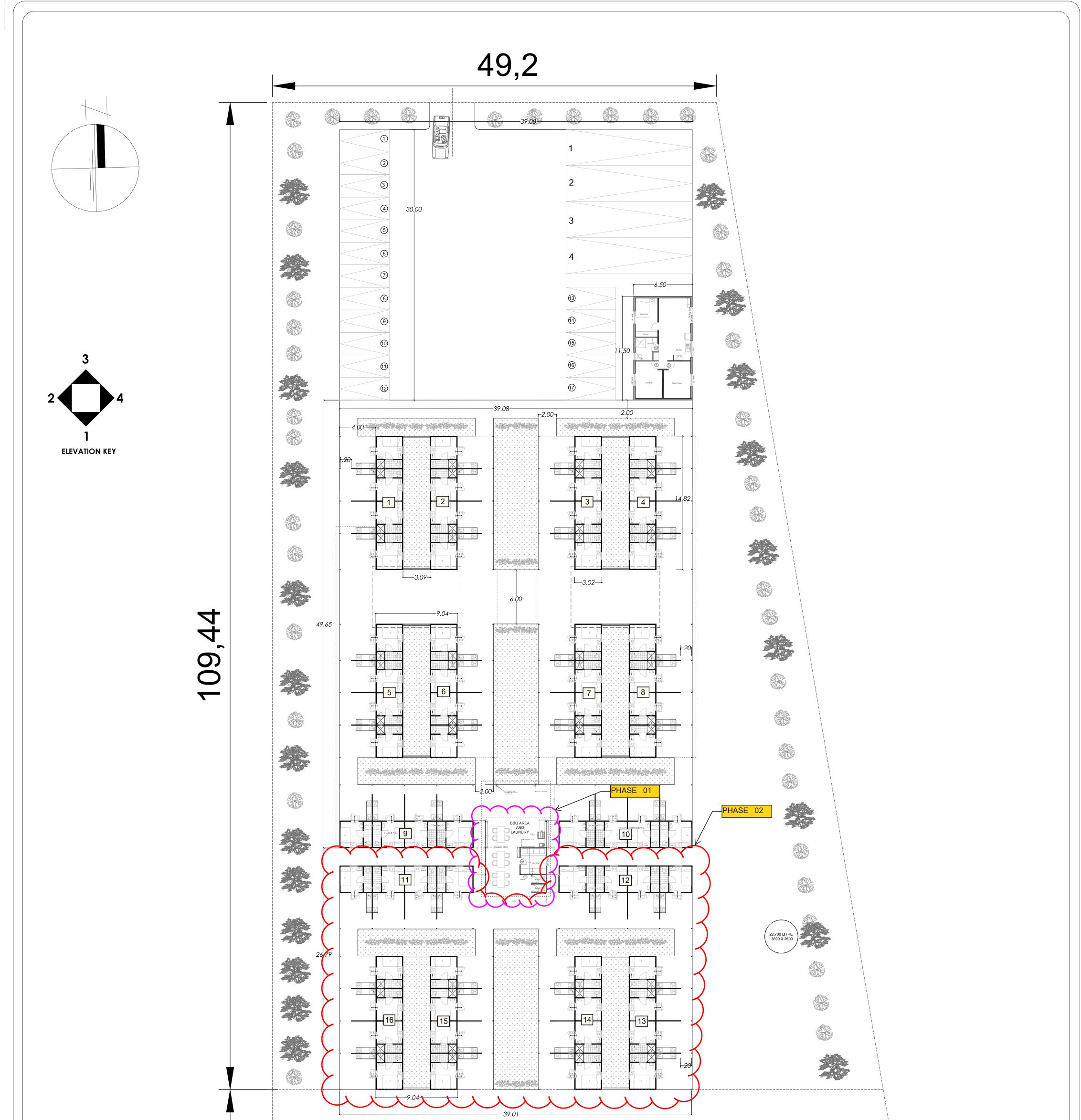
Attached to this Response is an amended set of Proposal Plans demonstrating the provision of a Manager/Caretaker's Residence located towards the access frontage of the site and additionally includes the provision of an Office and Storage. It is considered that the provision and location of the proposed Manager/Caretaker's Residence will aid in minimising any health and safety concerns as well as any antisocial behaviour.

This completes this Response to the Information Request. Please do not hesitate to contact me, in the first instance, should you require further information in relation to the matter.

Yours faithfully,

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# 3 FLOOR PLAN

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# SITE PLAN: 6,396.40 M2 SITE AREA - OVERALL: 8,385 M2

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#### **Allocation Water Summary**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	VOLUME (ML)
01 Apr 2022	Opening Balance	0.00
03 May 2022	Allocation Water Adjustment	5.00

Total Available Allocation Water:	5.00
*Allocation Water Usage:	0.00
<b>Remaining Allocation Water:</b>	5.00



#### Additional Information:-

#### What is a Water Account Statement?

The Water Account Statement provides a summary of the volume of allocation water which your water account, including the volume of allocation water used and remaining balance. Depending on the location of your metered offtakes, you may have more than one water account on your statement.

#### How do I find my remaining allocation?

The remaining allocation water balance at the time of the last transaction may be found on the Water Account Statement in the Allocation Water Summary section.

#### How much water can I use?

Under the *Water Act 2000,* SunWater is responsible for managing the water available within water supply schemes. In the majority of cases, the volume of water which will be supplied in any one water year, is determined by the announcement process. Announcements determine the volume of allocation water which will be available on your account by applying the announced percentage to the volume of allocation held. This may be less than 100% if the volume of water held in storage is low. Contact SunWater for details of products that may be available in your scheme.

#### How can I find out how much allocation I hold?

Water entitlements (including Interim Water Allocations and Riparian Allowance) are registered and managed by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. Please contact your local NRM office to determine your water entitlements. The volume of allocation which SunWater has recorded on your account may be found on your Water Authority Statement, which is available upon request.

#### Selling Your Property / Water Allocation:

If you are in the process of selling your property/water allocation, please contact SunWater on 13 15 89 to ensure the transfer is completed.

#### Where do I find my Customer Account Number?

Your Customer Number can be found on the top of the Water Account Statement.

#### Enquiries about your Water Account Statement:

If you wish to enquire about this water account statement, or if you wish to obtain a water authority statement, please call us on 13 15 89

#### Changing Your Address / Account Details:

If your postal address, address for notices, or details of your account change, please notify SunWater by:

- Phone: 13 15 89
- Internet: www.sunwater.com.au
- Email: customersupport@sunwater.com.au
- Mail: SunWater Customer Support PO Box 15536 City East QLD 4002

#### Want to view your account?

If you would like to view your account, find your water balance, place a water order or enter a meter reading then go to **www.sunwater.com.au**. Our online service can help you manage your account/s.

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15 July 2022

Site Assessment and Design Lot 512 Kennedy Highway Walkamin Qld

Job No 24437

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This report presents the results of a site assessment performed at Lot 512 Kennedy Highway, Walkamin. The assessment is required to determine the method of effluent disposal, as per AS/NZS 1547:2012 and the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code for on-site sewerage facilities.

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

At the time of the assessment the allotment was located in an established rural subdivision consisting of approximately 8385m<sup>2</sup>. The allotment was grassed and flat. The proposed development will be constructed in 2 stages, and will house a total of 64 persons. The first stage is to accommodate 40 persons and will be located to the North of the allotment. The second stage will accommodate 24 persons and will be located to the South of the allotment.

The proposed wastewater area was grassed and flat. The proposed wastewater area is to be situated at the South end of the allotment. This will require pump wells to distribute the wastewater to the treatment area.

The wastewater will be separated into black water and grey water. The black water will total a maximum amount of 3200 litres per day and the grey water a total of 6400 litres per day. The black water and grey water will be distributed into separate beds located at the South end of the allotment.

#### **FIELD WORK**

To investigate subsurface conditions test holes were excavated to a depth of 1.8 m. The holes were at the proposed wastewater area. A disturbed sample was taken for laboratory testing.

#### SOIL PROFILE

The test holes indicate similar soil profiles. There is a layer of clay loams to the depth of the bore holes.

#### SOIL CATEGORY FOR DOMESTIC WASTEWATER

The clay loams are regarded as being an imperfectly drained material with a weak structure. The indicative permeability is 0.12 - 0.5 m/d. The soil category on the basis of visual inspection of the materials and AS/NZS 1547:2012, should be classified as a <u>Soil Category 4</u>.

It is proposed that Advanced Secondary Treatment Systems are to be used for the dispersal of the black and grey wastewater. There were no drains, gullies, creeks or bores located in the area. There was no water encountered at the depth of the bore holes.

A design loading rate of 20 mm/d should be used for the sizing of the wastewater area. This shall be designed by a qualified designer based on AS/NZS 1547:2012 and the soil assessment data in this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Care should be taken that the base of the systems are level and no greater than 800 mm below ground level. This can be obtained by orientating the systems to follow contours, ensuring even distribution of the wastewater and avoiding any one part of the systems being more heavily loaded.

During construction rip and scarify the base of the beds to a depth of 300 mm and apply gypsum at a rate of  $1 \text{ kg/m}^2$  to prevent the clay dispersing. The beds shall be closed in, as soon as possible to protect the gypsum from raindrop impact.

This company is not responsible for the building levels and falls to the wastewater system. These will need to be calculated prior to construction, to determine the building platform heights and allow for sufficient fall to the wastewater area. Consideration should be given as to how the plumber will run the pipes, as this will determine the platform height. If sufficient fall is not available to construct the system as designed, a pump well will need to be installed to distribute the wastewater.

There will be no ponding of water during seasonal rains around the septic tank, pump well and wastewater area. Diversion drains will need to be put in place to divert water from the wastewater area.

The treatment system is to be installed as per the manufacturers specifications.

#### VALIDITY

The excavation of a limited number of holes does not preclude the possibility of some conditions on the site being different from those encountered in the holes. Should conditions be found which differ from those described in this report, then the recommendations are not valid and this organisation should be contacted.

Yours faithfully

Angelo Tudini Director Tandel Investments Pty Ltd T/as **Dirt Professionals** 

Attached: Site Plan and Site Photo AES Design Calculator, AES Pipe Layout Details & AES Cross-sectional Details

### **BORE HOLE LOGS**

### **TEST HOLE 1**

0.0 - 1.5 m Clay Loams with some sands - Orange Brown

### **TEST HOLE 2**

0.0 - 1.8 m Clay Loams with some sands - Orange Brown

### **TEST HOLE 3**

0.0 - 1.3 m Clay Loams with some sands - Orange Brown



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Client Name	Luke Speight			Date of Site Visit	7/15/202		
Designers Name	Angelo Tudini	Designers Ph Number	0417 647 477	Designer Lic (e.gQBCC)	1173606		
Lic Plumber	TBA	Plumber Ph Number	TBA	Plumb / Drainer Lic Number	TBA		
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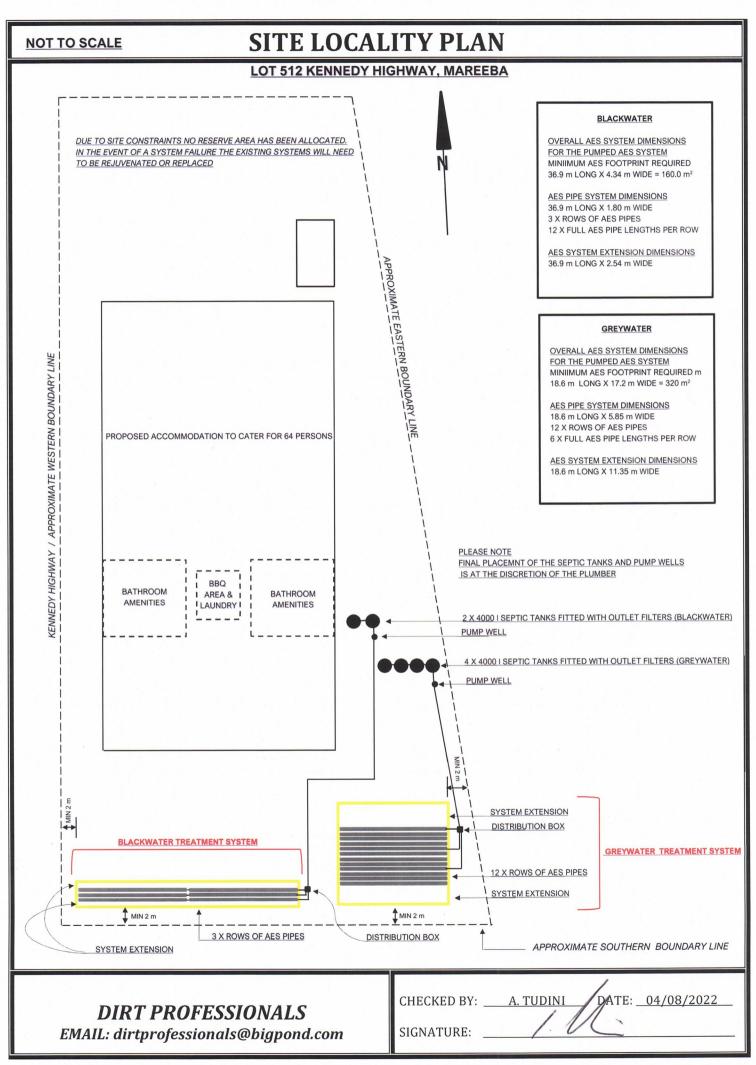
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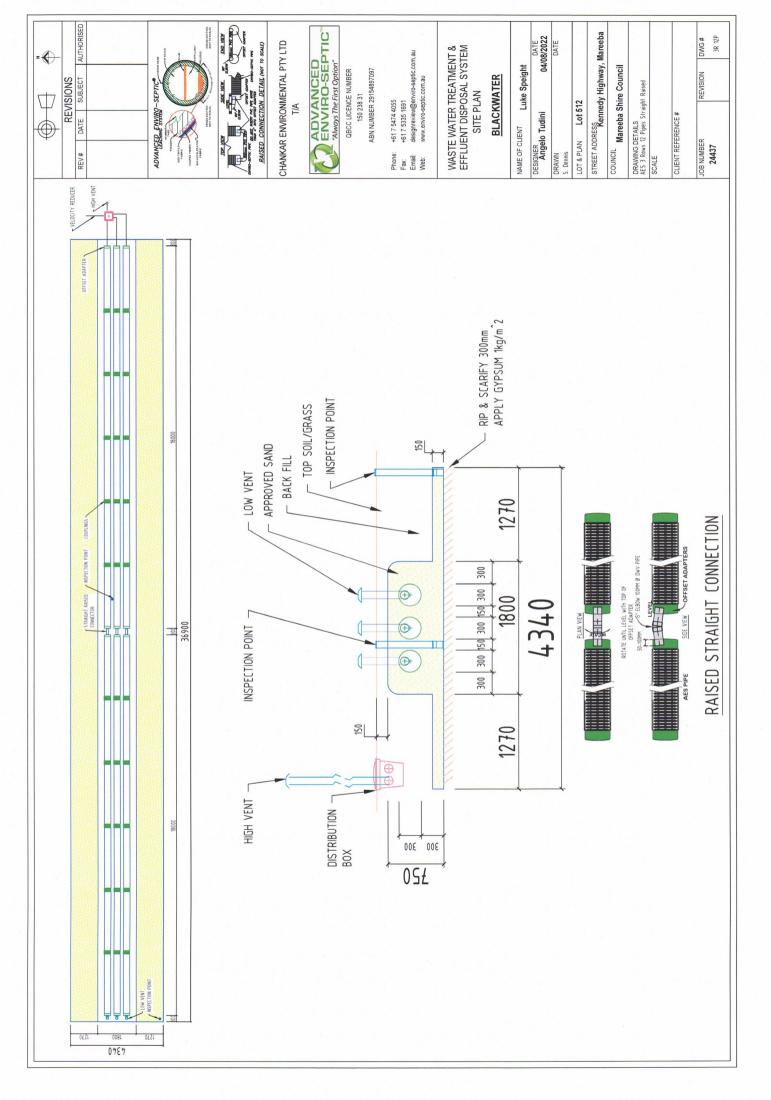
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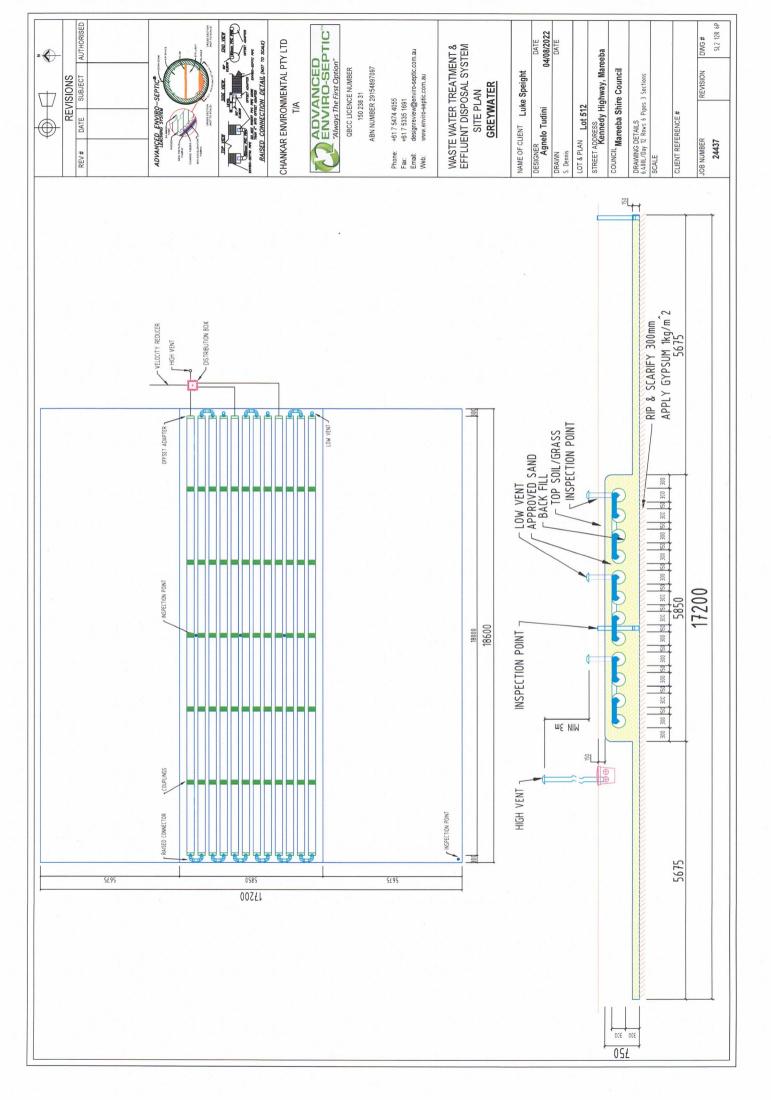
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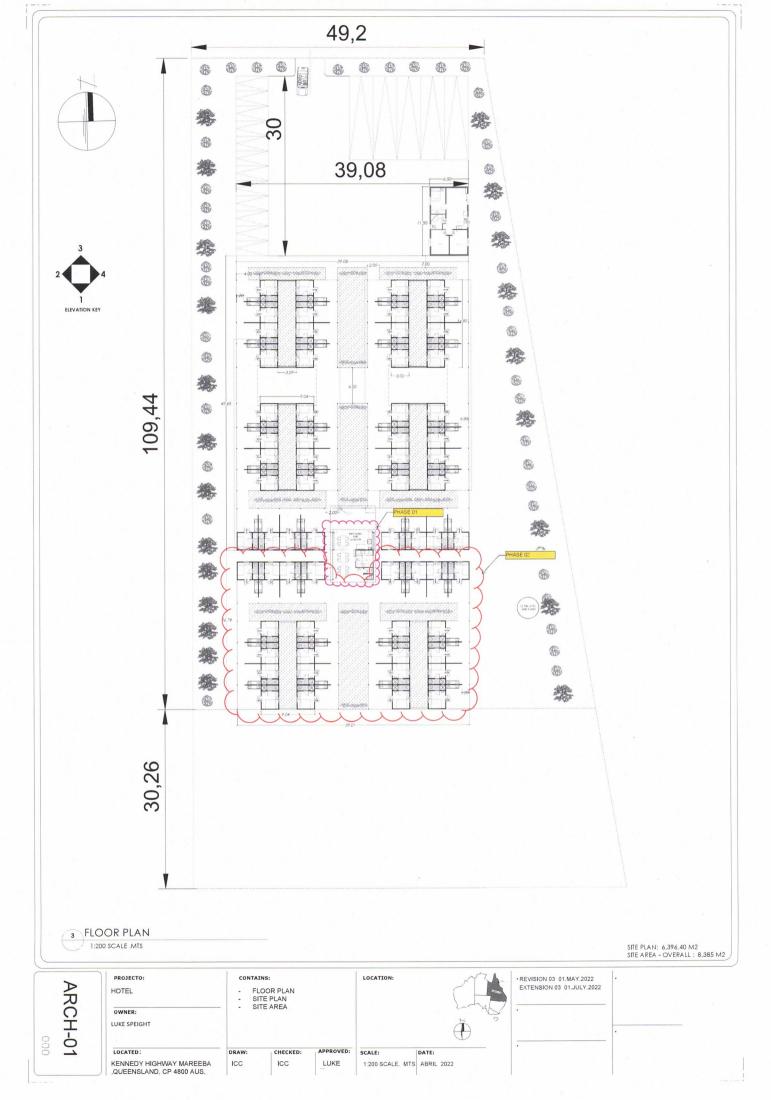
#### SYSTEM INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

- THIS REPORT MUST BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY PRIOR TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WASTEWATER AREA.
- SUFFICIENT FALL TO THE WASTEWATER AREA MUST BE CALCULATED PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.
- CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN THAT THE BASE OF THE SYSTEM IS LEVEL AND NO GREATER THAN 800 mm BELOW THE EXISTING GROUND LEVEL.
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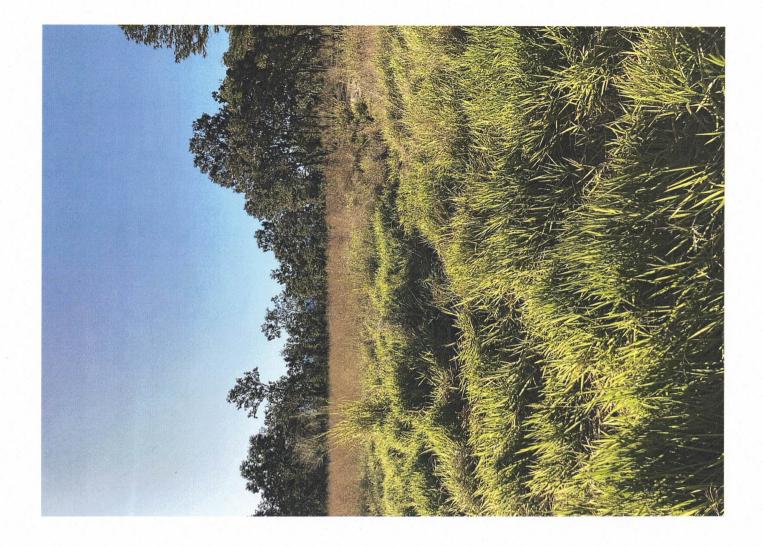
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INGROUND SWIMMING POOLS	6 m	6 m	6 m	

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# Advanced Enviro-Septic Owner's Manual

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### **Important Security instructions**



It is extremely dangerous even potentially deadly to open a septic tank, pumping station or any enclosed space that is part of a wastewater treatment system. This work must be done by a person trained in enclosed space working and rescue procedures who has the necessary equipment.

The action of the bacteria on the organic matter present in the wastewater produces gases such as carbon gas (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane gas (CH<sub>4</sub>) and sulphuric hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>S). The H<sub>2</sub>S present in the septic tank or a pumping station can cause the death of an individual in a matter of minutes. This is why this work must be left to competent personnel.



Pipes are buried near your septic installation. Please speak to your contractor or the technical service of Advanced Enviro-Septic<sup>TM</sup> in order to take all the necessary precautions prior to digging or undertaking excavation jobs near your septic system.



Please be sure that the covers of the septic tank, the pumping station, and the sampling device are always in place and that they remain accessible at all times for periodic inspections and interventions when necessary.

Advanced Enviro-Septic<sup>™</sup> U.S. Brevet nos. 6,461,078; 5,954,451; 6,290,429; 6,899,359; 6,792,977; 7,270,532 and 5,606,786. Other patent pending.

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### User's Guide – Advanced Enviro-Septic Introduction

	Thank you for choosing the Advanced Enviro-Septic System for your septic installation. This system was developed to efficiently treat domestic wastewater. Instructions must be followed in order to maintain its treatment performance so that you can make use of it for many years. Carefully read through this entire document and retain it in your files for future reference.
The purpose of this document	This user guide explains the proper use, procedures and inspections required in order to ensure the proper operation of your Advanced Enviro- Septic System for residential wastewater treatment.
	It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the system is used properly and according to its treatment capacity. It is also their responsibility to respect the rules and regulations in effect regarding associated council and government regulations.
Designation of	Name: Advanced Enviro-Septic <sup>TM</sup> Wastewater System
the Enviro- Septic System	Application Domain: Residential Wastewater (sewage).
	<b>Class and treatment type</b> : The Enviro-Septic system meets all the performance criteria requirements of both the Australian standard AS/NZS 1546.3: 2008, and the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code: 2011 (for both Secondary and Advanced Secondary treatment)
	The system cannot be used to treat wastewater to make it consumable. It is made to treat residential wastewater to an acceptable level for it to be reintroduced into the environment.

Definition of the Advanced Enviro- Septic System	The Enviro-Septic system is composed primarily of two inseparable components: the rows of Advanced Enviro-Septic <sup>TM</sup> pipe and a layer of system sand. The Enviro-Septic system must be preceded by a septic tank and a wastewater distribution device. The treated water is drained directly into the soil beneath the treatment system through a soil absorption system.
What to do if a problem occurs?	<ul> <li>If in the course of normal use of your septic system you notice any of the following problems:</li> <li>presence of abnormal odours in the house, around the septic system or emanating from sources of drinking water,</li> <li>abnormally wet soil, presence of persistent puddles or odours in the area of the septic tank or the Enviro-Septic system,</li> <li>slow flushing toilets or other plumbing in the home,</li> <li>presence of abnormally abundant vegetation on the surface or around the septic tank or the Enviro-Septic system installation,</li> <li>flooding in the area where the Enviro-Septic system is installed,</li> <li>erosion of the land fill on or around the Enviro-Septic system,</li> <li>alarm from the pumping station if such a device is part of your installation</li> </ul>
Customer service and Technical support information	Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need further information. We can be contacted at the following coordinates: Telephone: (07) 5474 4055 Fax: (07) 5335 1691 Email: info@enviro-septic.com.au Internet site: www.enviro-septic.com.au

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Certified Contractor The Enviro-Septic System must be installed by a licensed contract by Chankar Environmental. Certification is obtained by attending the "Enviro-Septic Contractor Certification Course". The Advanced Enviro- customer service can provide the name of contractors having the proper of to install Enviro-Septic Systems.			
Enviro-Septic System Capacity	<ul> <li>The capacity of the Enviro-Septic System depends on two elements:</li> <li>The number of Enviro-Septic Pipes</li> <li>The capacity of the underlying soil to evacuate the treated water.</li> </ul>		
	Tables 1 and 2 present the capacity of each system in relation with the number of pipe installed for a 1 to 6 bedroom residence or other building with a daily flow of 1800 L/d or less. The total volume of wastewater fed to the system must not be more then what is shown in the table.		
	The system may also be limited by the capacity of the underlying soil to permit the infiltration and evacuation of wastewater. This value should be evaluated by the designer mandated to create the plans and estimates for your		

septic installation. It is, therefore, important to verify with the designer if the capacity of the soil permits complete infiltration and evacuation of the maximum amount of water able to be treated by the pipes installed.

Number of Advanced	Total Length of	Maximum Daily
Enviro-Septic Pipes	Advanced Enviro-Septic	Flow
(3.0 m each)	Pipes (m)	(L/d)
4	12	360
5	15	450
6	18	540
7	21	630
8	24	720
9	27	810
10	30	900
11	33	990
12	36	1080
13	39	1170
14	42	1260
15	45	1350
16	48	1440
17	51	1530
18	54	1620
20	60	1200

 Table 1

 Enviro-Septic hydraulic capacity based on the number of pipes installed

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Parameters Table 2

Testing Parameters	Advanced Enviro-Septic™ Test Results	Qld Secondary	Qld Advanced Secondary	EPA Tertiary	NSF-40 Class 1	BNQ Advanced
CBOD (mg/L)	< 2	20	10	10	< 25	<15
TSS (mg/L)	< 2	30	10	10	< 30	<15
Fecal Coliforms (CFU/100ml)	N/A ** Subsoil Installation	N/A ** Subsoil Installation	N/A ** Subsoil Installation	1000	N/A ** Subsoil Installation	50,000

<b>Residential Wastew</b>	ater Table 3 indi	cates the normal char	acteristics of raw dom	nestic sewage.
Table 3	Parameter	Units	Raw Sewage	Septic Tank
				Effluent
	TSS	mg/L	237-600	50-90
	CBOD <sub>5</sub>	mg/L	210-530	140-200
	Fecal Coliforms	CFU/100 ml	$10^{6} - 10^{10}$	$10^3 - 10^6$
	Source: Tchobanoglous	and Burton (1991)		

<sup>3</sup> The hydraulic capacities shown in table 1 are the same regulation for 1 to 6 bedroom isolated

dwellings (clause 1.3). The difference between the minimum number of Enviro-Septic pipe for a similar daily flow between table 1 and 2 come after different security factors that are associated with 1 to 6 bedroom house vs other types of buildings.

#### Warranty certificate

Advanced Enviro-Septic<sup>TM</sup> comes with a manufacturer's limited warranty. The warranty details are presented in Appendix A.

### Functioning of the Enviro-Septic System

system integrates both functions.

The Enviro-Septic system is a passive technology which facilitates the proliferation of the bacteria responsible for wastewater treatment. It is comprised mainly of two inseparable components: the rows of Advanced Enviro-Septic pipes and a layer of system sand.

The Enviro-Septic system must be preceded by a septic tank and a distribution box (or another method of distribution). It must also be installed over a polishing leaching field.

Treatment<br/>process of the<br/>Enviro-Septic<br/>systemThe rows of Advanced Enviro-Septic pipes and system sand permit the<br/>treatment and distribution of wastewater on the surface of the receiving soil<br/>(surface of the polishing leaching field).The pipes support, first of all, the separation of particles through flotation and<br/>decantation. The water is then evacuated through perforations situated all<br/>around the pipes and through the pores of the two layers of synthetic media<br/>covering the pipes. These membranes facilitate the fixation of the microbial<br/>cultures which support wastewater treatment as well as longitudinal<br/>distribution.The layer of sand continues the treatment process and helps in dispersing the<br/>water before it infiltrates into the natural soil. In this way, the Enviro-Septic

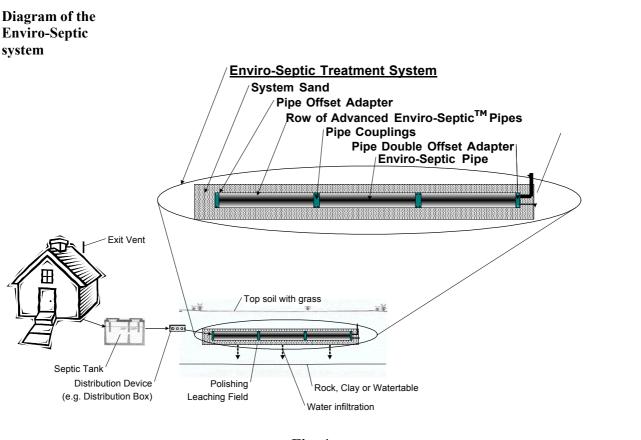


Fig. 4

### **Enviro-Septic System Components**

Your septic installation includes several components. All of these components are parts of the chain of treatment of your installation. Table 4 presents the list of these elements. However it should be noted that some of these are only used when site conditions require them.

The table also presents a summary of inspections required for each component. More detailed information on this subject is presented in the sections that follow.

Component of the septic system	Function	Follow-up needed	Frequency	Responsible fo follow-up
Septic tank	Primary wastewater treatment	Periodic emptying	According to standards and regulations in effect	Owner is res- ponsible to have work done by qualified person
Septic Tank Effluent Filter <sup>4</sup>	Retention of solids in low pressure pumped applications.	According to manufacturer's instructions.		
Distribution systems if required for larger dual bed systems 3 options A) Gravity Dist box and flow equalizers B) Pressure distribution (feed) system C) Automatic distributing valve	Distributes the septic tank effluent to the rows of Advanced Enviro- Septic.	k effluent to the rowsAdvanced Enviro-B) According to the manufacturer's directions.		ections.
Rows of Advanced Enviro-Septic Pipes.	Distribute and treat wastewater			
Sampling device	To verify the treatment performance of the Enviro-Septic System	Ensure that there is access to this device	Optional	Qualified person
Vent	To allow the circulation of air in the Enviro- Septic System	Ensure that the opening is not blocked	As needed	Owner
System sand	To complete the water treatment process and to improve the drainage	No		
Pumping station (optional)	Lift septic tank effluent to the Enviro-Septic System	According to suppli	er's specifications	

<sup>4</sup> The effluent filter is necessary whenever the septic tank is followed by a low pressure distribution system.

### **Operating the Enviro-Septic System**

Initial Use	At the time of installation the septic tank must be filled with clear water.
	If a pumping station is used, the contractor will verify that it is functioning properly at the time of installation. The home owner must make sure that there is adequate electricity to safely operate the equipment as well as the alarm component.
	The Enviro-Septic system is now ready for use.
Intermittent Use or Prolonged Absences	The Enviro-Septic system is a passive wastewater treatment system. When properly installed, it requires no particular attention for intermittent use or in the case of prolonged absence.

### **Enviro-Septic System Operating Instructions**

The use and the maintenance of an Enviro-Septic System are relatively simple. In general, respecting the following rules will allow you use of your installation without problems for years to come.

Wastewater<br/>VolumeLarge quantities of water that leave the house and enter the Enviro-Septic<br/>System in a short period of time could have a negative impact on the<br/>effectiveness of the treatment and the infiltration of wastewater causing<br/>agitation in the septic tank. A quantity of sludge or scum is likely to be put into<br/>suspension and be brought towards the system and the infiltration bed.

You must ensure that the volume of wastewater entering the Enviro-Septic System is reasonable when compared to the total daily flow the system was designed for.

After the installation, if changes are made to the residence (ex. addition of a bedroom), please contact the designer of the Enviro-Septic System. Make sure that the septic system is inspected by a qualified person to determine that it has the necessary capacity to treat and infiltrate the new daily design flow of wastewater being generated.

In the bathroom	<ul> <li>Do: <ul> <li>immediately repair any leaking faucet or toilet,</li> <li>use a reasonable quantity of toilet paper.</li> <li>Minimise or avoid bleach, antiseptic disinfectants, and amonia acids in the system</li> </ul> </li> <li>Do not: <ul> <li>use disinfectant in tablet (puck) form, whether it is placed in the basin or the tank,</li> <li>throw cigarettes, cigarette butts or medication in the toilet,</li> <li>throw paper towels, paper napkins or other personal hygiene products in the toilet.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
In the kitchen	<ul> <li>Do: <ul> <li>repair any leaking faucet,</li> <li>use dish soap or dishwasher soap that is low in phosphate (0 to 5%),</li> <li>use the necessary quantity of soap to do the work. Take note that the necessary quantity is often less than suggested by the manufacturer.</li> <li>use biodegradeable soap, low-phosphorus or phosphorus free detergents.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Do not : <ul> <li>use a food waste disposal unit in your sink that is connected to your septic installation. If you do have a waste disposal unit, your septic tank may require more frequent pump out to remove sludge build up</li> <li>dispose of vegetables, meats, fat, oil, coffee beans, citrus products or other products into the septic system.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
For the laundry	<ul> <li>Do:</li> <li>use phosphate free detergent, preferably in liquid form. If it is not possible, use biodegradable powder detergent,</li> <li>use the necessary quantity of soap to do the work. Take note that the necessary quantity is often less than that suggested by the manufacturer,</li> <li>minimize the volume of water used for the laundry according to the quantity of clothing to wash,</li> <li>if possible spread your loads of laundry throughout the week</li> <li>prevent harsh chemicals or products entering the system (eg. paint, nappies)</li> </ul>
Elsewhere in and around the house	<ul> <li>Do:</li> <li>divert drainage and rain water away from the surface of the Advanced Enviro-Septic System.</li> <li>All vents should be mosquito-proofed to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in the tank.</li> <li>Roof and surface water should be redirected away from absorption trenches.</li> <li>Do not :</li> <li>discharge water softener backwash into your septic system,</li> <li>discharge any water from swimming pool filters, spas or other appliances that discharge chlorinated water into your septic system.</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>let water from sump pumps, roof drains (gutters) and drainage pipes. pipes discharge into the septic system,</li> <li>dispose of solvents, paints, antifreeze, engine oil or other chemicals in the septic installation. This includes water used to wash brushes or rollers that were used with latex paint (latex paint contains elements that are harmful to septic system),</li> <li>dispose of animal litter in the septic installation.</li> </ul>
Chemicals for septic installation	Your Enviro-Septic System does not require any starting chemical, cleaning or other additives. The bacteria that carry out the treatment are naturally present in raw domestic sewage. Any chemicals or additives added to the Enviro-Septic System could possibly kill these bacteria.
Ventilation	It is very important to ensure that good ventilation occurs so that the septic system functions correctly. The vent(s) installed at the ends of the septic system encourage this air circulation. It is important to make sure that the opening is not blocked and that air can circulate freely at all times. Air enters through the vent, circulates through the rows of pipes and the septic tank and travels through the plumbing of the house to exit through the roof vent.
	The owner must be sure to have a roof vent and to keep it clear at all times. When a pumping station is used, a bypass pipe or an extra vent must be used to ensure proper ventilation of the system.
Heavy machinery and motorized vehicle traffic	No vehicles or heavy machinery must be driven on a septic system, whether it is before, during or after its construction. Heavy machinery or motorized vehicle traffic on the soil closes the natural pores of the soil which reduces its permeability and allows for pounding and the accumulation of water.
Vegetation	The surface of the septic system must be planted with grass. The grass must be cut regularly in order to encourage growth without the use of fertilizers. Vegetation cover contributes to the elimination of nitrogen and phosphorus.
	It is important not to plant trees or other plants with invasive roots within the proximity of the septic installation (minimum distance 3 meters).

### **Enviro-Septic System Maintenance**

Septic Tank Maintenance	The septic tank preceding the Enviro-Septic System must be pumped out regularly (every 3-5 years for normal residential use or sludge exceeds 2/3 of the tank). Verify the current regulation, or get in touch with relevant council or government authorities.
	If the septic tank is not emptied regularly, an increasingly large amount of solids and grease in suspension will leave the septic tank and end up in the treatment system and in time the performance of the Enviro-Septic System may be affected.
	At all times, a professional using the proper equipment must carry out the pumping out of a septic tank
	The owner is responsible to ensure his septic tank is pumped out according to council regulations. This work should always be done by a qualified person since it can be very dangerous to open a septic system without first taking the necessary precautions.
	Note: It is the home owner's responsibility to make sure that at all times the septic tank lids are in their proper position and securely fastened. A lid that is not installed correctly can be harmful to the operation of the Enviro-Septic System.
Pre-filter (Septic tank effluent filter)	Effluent filter equipment is not necessary at the exit of the septic tank <sup>5</sup> . It is mandatory when a low pressure distribution system is used between the septic tank and the Advanced Enviro-Septic pipes.
	The effluent filter must be cleaned according to the maintenance and inspection procedures provided by the manufacturer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The effluent filter is necessary whenever the septic tank is followed by a low pressure distribution system.

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Advanced Under normal use, the rows of Advanced Enviro-Septic pipe do not require maintenance. It is normal to find fluctuation of the water level in the pipes. If the water level reaches 260 mm, a rejuvenation of the Enviro-Septic System must be considered. A qualified person<sup>6</sup> must carry out this procedure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> There may be costs related to this operation, if the problem is due to improper use of the system or due to a design or installation problem.

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Vent	The owner must however ensure that nothing prevents the circulation of air. There must also be a difference of at least 3 meters, at all times, between the entry vent situated at the extremity of the Enviro-Septic system and the exit vent usually located on the roof.
System Sand	There is no maintenance to be done on the system sand during normal use of the Enviro-Septic System.
Pumping station or low pressure distribution system	In certain cases, the site constraints require the use of a pumping station or a low-pressure distribution system to evenly distribute the water. The owner is then responsible to comply with the manufacturer's scheduled maintenance requirements of this equipment.
Embankment surface above the Enviro- Septic System	The surface located above the Enviro-Septic system must be covered with herbaceous vegetation. A slight slope must be given to the surface in order to help the drainage of rainwater towards the outside of the system. The grass must also be cut regularly. Finally, any depression that could be created with time must be filled in order to avoid any accumulation of water above the system and to prevent erosion.

### **Owner's Responsibilities**

Owner's Responsibilities	<ul> <li>The owner is responsible for:</li> <li>using the Enviro-Septic System according to the instructions presented in the user guide.</li> <li>pumping out the septic tank according to the regulations in effect.</li> <li>maintaining the effluent filter (if present), the pumping station, the pressure distribution system or the automatic wastewater distributing valve according to manufacturer's specifications and recording the information if this equipment is part of the system.</li> <li>ensuring that the vent openings are clear of any obstacle.</li> <li>providing access at all times to the Enviro-Septic system.</li> <li>adhering to the requirements of the applicable rules and regulations, in particular with regards to the discharge standards of the system to the environment.</li> </ul>
Qualified person	The qualified person that performs the maintenance or the inspection of an Enviro-Septic System is a person who was trained and certified by Chankar Environmental or has certification from Presby Environmental to perform the tasks associated with the Enviro-Septic system. Chankar Environmental trains these people to carry out the inspections of the system, perform adjustments to the equalizers and/or carry out the rejuvenating procedure. To obtain the name of a qualified person in your area, contact our customer service department on (07) 474 4055). For maintenance on the pumping station and the low pressure distribution system, the owner must refer to the user guide specified by the manufacturer of these systems. The pumping out of the septic tank must be performed by a company specializing in that field. Check with your council for the companies in your area that are qualified to do this work.

### Appendix A- Presby Twenty Year Limited Warranty



This Twenty Year Limited Manufacturer's Warranty is provided by the Manufacturer, Presby Environmental, Inc., a New Hampshire corporation having a mailing address of 143 Airport Rd., Whitefield, New Hampshire, 03598

PRESBY ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. INNOVATIVE SEPTIC TECHNOLOGIES

(hereinafter called "Presby"). This Warranty applies only to Presby Products sold by or through its duly authorized distributor Chankar Environmental an Australian corporation having a mailing address of Unit 6-62 Rene St, Noosaville, Qld 4566 (hereinafter called the "Distributor"). "Presby Products" means Presby's Enviro-Septic® leaching systems and Preesby Maze<sup>©</sup> with the required accessories (couplings, offset adaptor).

**Warranty:** Presby warrants that Presby Products are free from defect for twenty years from the date of installation but in no event more than twenty-one years from the date of manufacture. Product Defects means defects or damage to the Products caused by or occurring during the manufacturing process. This Warranty does not cover or apply to damages to the Products caused by or resulting from transit or from accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, storage, installation, repair, maintenance or from use other than normal and ordinary use of the Products. This Warranty does not apply to damages to the Products caused by or resulting from failure to install or use the Products in accordance with distributor's instructions which have been approved by Presby or failure to properly inspect and maintain the Products.

**Warranty Registration, Claim Process and Remedy:** Any claim under the Warranty must be in writing and received by the distributor within thirty days of the date when the facts giving rise to such claim under this Warranty become known or are otherwise discovered. The distributor must be provided with an opportunity to inspect the Products as installed. Failure to comply with these requirements renders the Warranty null and void. If, during the Warranty period, the distributor and Presby find and determine that defects in Products exist, then the distributor and Presby's sole and exclusive obligation is to either repair the Products or provide replacement Products. The distributor and Presby shall determine whether to repair the Products or provide replacement Products. The distributor and Presby shall have no obligation to remove any defective Products or to install any replacement Products. The distributor and Presby shall not be liable or responsible for any other damages or claims arising from or relating to defective Products, including but not limited to claims for general, consequential, or incidental damages, lost profits, or attorney fees.

**Disclaimer:** The distributor and Presby otherwise make no express warranty concerning the Products and the distributor and Presby disclaims any and all warranties, express or implied. Except as stated herein, there are no warranties express or implied, and the distributor and Presby do not warrant that the goods are merchantable or fit for any particular purpose. Any claim or controversy relating to this Warranty, or to matters of place of contracting, interpretation, performance or breach thereof, shall be brought in and adjudged in accordance with the applicable laws of state of New Hampshire.

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### **Appendix B - Information Specific to Your Treatment System**

Information on	Installation date:	
your Enviro- Septic System	Contractor /Engineer:	
	Contractor:	
	Plumbing inspector:	 
	Number of rows of pipes:	
	Hydraulic capacity (L/d):	
	Number of 3m pipes per row:	
	<ul><li>Water Distribution</li><li>Distribution box</li><li>Wastewater distributing value</li></ul>	
	Septic tank capacity:	
Notes		