



October 2, 2017

North Dakota Weights and Measures
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505

Attention: Konrad Crockford - Director

Subject: Variance Permit Request – Article 69-10-01-04.1

We are requesting a variance permit for the permanent use of a pit-less truck scale to be installed onto a floating slab foundation. We have a fertilizer facility near Litchville, ND. We will be just using the scale for weighing of anhydrous ammonia trailers. We have chosen to apply for the floating slab variance as we believe the floating slab option better suits our application. Our proposed location for the scale has a high water table and we feel the floating slab option will work better long term if the foundation is not down in the wet ground. The permanent truck scale and foundation is to be installed by Prairie Scale Systems Inc. and will be installed to meet all accuracy requirements. Construction for the new scale is tentatively scheduled to start around the first part of October.

The proposed scale that is to be used is a 24 ft x 12 ft Rice Lake Weighing Systems OTR Series truck scale. This particular scale, has an overall capacity of 120,000 lbs and a concentrated load capacity of 100,000 lbs. The scale is to be setup, tested, and certified to meet the tolerances of a legal for trade scale. A serial number of the scale can be provided if we are granted this variance.

We appreciate your cooperation with our request. If we are granted a variance, we plan to operate the truck scale according to all applicable North Dakota Laws and Rules.

Thank you,
Waylon Triepke
701-793-7769
Waylon.triepke@chsinc.com

Bauske, Shelly A.

From: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke <Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2017 5:12 PM
To: Crockford, Konrad S.; Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request
Attachments: Variance Permit Request.docx

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Konrad, per your requirements below,
The compacted base will be at least 24 inches thick and the concrete will be poured on top of the base

Prairie Scales will install the scale per manufacture requirements on 12 inches of concrete.

The top surfaces will be well above ground level and will drain to the West away from the base that supports the foundation.

Let me know if you need any further information
Thanks,
Waylon

From: Crockford, Konrad S. [mailto:kcrockford@nd.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2017 3:12 PM
To: Bauske, Shelly A. <sbauske@nd.gov>; CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke <Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

Waylon,

I have reviewed the documentation that you have submitted for your variance request. We have four requirements that need to be met in order to grant a variance for a floating slab scale foundation. They are as follows:

- The foundation of the scale must be constructed on soil that has a uniform natural or engineered soil bearing of at least 1,500 pounds per square foot.
- A base of uniform, compacted, permeable aggregate, at least 24 inches deep must be installed. The concrete slab foundation must be poured on top of this base.
- The scale weighing element or elements must be supported on a monolithic, steel reinforced, 12 inch thick concrete slab and must conform to the scale manufacture's installation and reinforcing requirements.
- The top surfaces of the foundation slab must be installed above the surrounding grade level so that water will flow away from the preamble aggregate base that supports the foundation.

I have noted in the soil report that the soil has a bearing of 3,250 lbs/sq ft. That meets our first requirement above. Please submit additional documentation on the design and construction of the foundation preparation and scale foundation to satisfy the additional three requirements.

Finally, please resubmit your variance request permit with the year corrected. Currently the letter states Sept. 22, 2012.

Once you get this sent in I will review it ASAP to help keep your project on schedule. Let me know if you have further questions.

Thanks,

Konrad Crockford
Director of Compliance
North Dakota Public Service Commission
701-328-4097 kcrockford@nd.gov



From: Bauske, Shelly A.
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 11:03
To: Crockford, Konrad S. <kcrockford@nd.gov>
Subject: FW: Litchville Variance Permit Request

Revised variance permit request.

From: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke [<mailto:Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 8:36 AM
To: Bauske, Shelly A.
Cc: keithn@prairiescale.com
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

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Thank you, I have attached the revised Variance Permit Request.

Waylon

From: Bauske, Shelly A. [<mailto:sbauske@nd.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 4:41 PM
To: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke <Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>
Cc: keithn@prairiescale.com
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

Good Afternoon Waylon

I received your request and forwarded it to the Director, Konrad Crockford. He is out of the office until Monday, October 2. We will review your request at that time.

Shelly Bauske
Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408
Bismarck ND 58505-0480
701-328-4070
701-328-2410 (fax)
sbauske@nd.gov

From: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke [<mailto:Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>]
Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 11:18 AM
To: Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: Litchville Variance Permit Request

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Shelly, I am working on applying for Variance to use a floating slab for a scale to be used to weigh NH3 tanks. We are planning on trying to get this in and approved for use for our upcoming fall season and hope to start construction October 1st so if we could get a response as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated.

I have attached the request along with the soils report for the location of the scale, if you need any further information please let me know and I will get it for you.

Thank you,
Waylon Triepke
Dakota Plains Ag
Litchville, ND
701-793-7769
waylon.triepke@chsinc.com

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Bismarck, ND 58505

Attention: Konrad Crockford - Director

Subject: Variance Permit Request – Litchville Fertilizer Plant

In responding to your request per our variance permit for the scale at the Litchville Fertilizer Plant near Litchville, ND I would like to state that we understand and will adhere to the variance construction requirements according to all applicable North Dakota Laws and Rules.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Waylon Triepke".

Waylon Triepke

CHS/Dakota Plains Ag



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October 6, 2017

North Dakota Weights and Measures
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505

Attention: Konrad Crockford - Director

Subject: Variance Permit Request – for Dakota Ag Litchville

We will be doing the foundation for Dakota Ag in Litchville. We will be doing the foundation and scale installation work for this project once you give the variance approval.

The proposed scale that is to be used is a 24 ft x 12 ft Rice Lake Weighing Systems OTR Series truck scale. This particular scale, has an overall capacity of 120,000 lbs and a concentrated load capacity of 100,000 lbs. The scale is to be setup, tested, and certified to meet the tolerances of a legal for trade scale.

We appreciate your cooperation with our customers request. We are planning to install the scale as you have requested with the 24" compacted aggregate with scale setup so all water drains away from it. We will be installing a 12" steel reinforced slab foundation to operate the truck scale according to all applicable North Dakota Laws and Rules.

If you have any questions please feel free to call or email me.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Ness', written over a horizontal line.

Keith Ness
Prairie Scale Systems, Inc.

Bauske, Shelly A.

From: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke <Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2017 8:41 AM
To: Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

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Name of company
CHS/Dakota Plains Ag
5324 165th Ave SE
PO Box 265
Kindred, ND 58051

Location of Scale
CHS/Dakota Plains Ag
10802 Highway 46
Litchville, ND 58461

Let me know if you need any further information.

Thank you,
Waylon

From: Bauske, Shelly A. [mailto:sbauske@nd.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 5:19 PM
To: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke <Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com>
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

Good Afternoon Waylon

Please provide me with the name and address of the company applying for the floating slab variance permit and the name and address of the scale location.

Thank you!

From: CO-Lamoure, Waylon Triepke [mailto:Waylon.Triepke@chsinc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 5:00 PM
To: Crockford, Konrad S.; Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: RE: Litchville Variance Permit Request

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Trade Name

System ID: 39858100 **Phone:** Not on file
Status: Active
Original File Date: 09/22/2015 **Last Renewal Date:**

Nature of Business

GRAIN MARKETING, FARM SUPPLY, ENERGY

Owners

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CHS INC.

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System ID: 455100	Phone: (701) 845-0812
Type: FOREIGN COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	
Status: Active & Good Standing	
Original File Date: 06/15/1938	Effective Date: 06/15/1938
State of Origin: Minnesota	

Nature of Business

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