

**Order No. 46/17**

**APPEAL OF THE HIGHWAY TRAFFIC BOARD DECISION:  
DATED JANUARY 12, 2017 – FILE NO. 1/075/083/S/16  
(COUNTRY SIGNS INC.)**

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**April 28, 2017**

**BEFORE: Robert Gabor, Q.C., Chair  
Anita Neville, B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed., Vice Chair  
Allan Morin, B.A., ICD.D., Member**

## Summary

By this Order, the Public Utilities Board (Board) sets aside the Highway Traffic Board (HTB) decision, dated January 12, 2017 and finds in favour of the appellant, Country Signs Inc.

## Background

The appellant, Country Signs Inc., submitted an application to the Highway Traffic Board (HTB) for a fixed print off-premises sign adjacent to PTH No. 75, R.L. 347, in the parish of Ste. Agathe in the R.M. of Morris on October 06, 2016. In its letter of January 12, 2017, the HTB denied the application for the proposed sign because it did not meet the criteria of the HTB's Advertising Sign Policy for Off-Premises Signs in that it must be a minimum of 200 meters from any other sign.

Manitoba Infrastructure and the appellant continued to work toward a resolution and submitted an agreed statement of facts to the PUB on March 27, 2017. Both parties have indicated that the sign placement issue has been adequately addressed and requests the PUB to accept their joint recommendation for an Order.

The PUB heard the matter at a paper based hearing held at 3:00 PM, Thursday April 27, 2017, in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

## Board Findings

The Board would like to thank both parties for their work in arriving at an acceptable solution. The Board has reviewed the agreed statement of facts dated March 27, 2017, concurs with the recommendation of the parties concerned.

Board decisions may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of *The Public Utilities Board Act*, or reviewed in accordance with Section 36 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules). The Board's Rules may be viewed on the Board's website at [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca).

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The HTB approve and grant Country Signs Inc., a permit to construct a new sign that places it 169.5 meters from an adjacent sign in accordance with the agreed statement of facts and map appendices.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"Robert Gabor, Q.C."

Chair

"Darren Christle"

Secretary

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