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AN ACT RESPECTING THE CITY OF SAINT-HYACINTHE

Bill 235

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Preamble WHEREAS it is the interest of the city of Saint-Hyacinthe that it be granted certain powers;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Powers of
city council

1. The council may, by by-law,

(1) prescribe quantitative standards for the discharge of surface, rain, underground or cooling water or industrial waste water into a purification works; prohibit or regulate such discharge; impose conditions to control, reduce, regularize or spread out such discharge;

(2) prescribe, according to the source of contamination, the class of establishment or the industrial process, a maximum quantity or concentration of or limit to the acidity, alkalinity, temperature, chemical or biochemical requirement for oxygen, oil, grease, suspended matter, dissolved matter, toxic substances or substances that are harmful to the environment in waste water discharge into a purification works; prohibit or regulate the discharge, into a purification works, of waste water having a content of a substance in excess of the prescribed maximum or having characteristics not in conformity with such maximum;

(3) prohibit the discharge of waste water into a storm sewer; prescribe qualitative or quantitative standards for the discharge of water into a storm sewer;

(4) require any person or class of persons that discharges or intends to discharge industrial waste water or cooling water into a

purification works to obtain a permit from the city and prescribe the information that shall be furnished with permit applications; exempt any person or class of persons it determines from the requirement to obtain a permit;

(5) prescribe the conditions, procedures and fees relating to the issue, renewal, suspension or revocation of a permit;

(6) prescribe the devices and methods whose use is recognized for the purposes of analysis, sampling or computation of concentration; fix the duration of a sampling program, determine the analysis parameters and carry out its own sampling or analysis program at the expense of a permit holder if it considers that the data supplied by him are inaccurate;

(7) delegate the powers conferred on it by paragraph 6 to the head of a department.

“purification
works” **2.** For the purposes of a by-law passed under section 1, the words “purification works” mean a sewer, a sewer system, a waste water pumping station, a water purification station and any other works for collecting, impounding, conveying, treating or draining waste water, or part of any such equipment.

Contraven-
tion
of by-law The city may claim, from any person who discharges waste water into a purification works in contravention of a by-law passed under paragraphs 1 to 3 of section 1, the reimbursement of the costs incurred for the maintenance or repair of the purification works because of such discharge.

Special tax
and com-
pensation **3.** The special tax and the compensation imposed and levied for the fiscal years 1987, 1988 and 1989 under by-laws 746, 835 and 910 to cover the financing and operating costs of the waste water treatment system and plant cannot be contested on the ground that the city did not have the power to impose and levy such tax and compensation.

Pending
cases This section does not affect a case pending on 9 January 1988.

Coming into
force **4.** This Act comes into force on 22 June 1989.