PART 1 General

1.1 RELATED SECTIONS

.1 Section 32 92 19 - Mechanical Seeding.

PART 2 Products

2.1 MULCH

- .1 Wood cellulose fibre product free of germination or growth inhibiting ingredients and shall form, after application, a blotter-like ground cover which will allow absorption and percolation of water.
- .2 Mulch shall be dry, free of weeds and all foreign matter.
- .3 Acceptable products: Silva-Fibre, or approved equal in accordance with B6.

2.2 WATER

.1 Water used for hydro mulching shall be free of any impurities, which would inhibit germination, or otherwise adversely affect grass growth.

2.3 TACKIFIER

- .1 All wood cellulose fibre mulch shall be applied in a slurry containing a tackifier at a rate as directed by the manufacturer.
- .2 Acceptable products: Terra Tack II, Turf Master Hydroseal or Curisol AH, or approved equal in accordance with B6.

2.4 EROSION CONTROL BLANKET

- .1 Biodegradable erosion control blankets
- .2 Acceptable products: GeoJute 'Geojute Antiwash' 4x225 as supplied by Brockwhite Construction Materials, or approved equal in accordance with B6.

PART 3 Execution

3.1 PROTECTION

.1 Do not permit passage of any vehicle directly on hydromulch or erosion control blanket at any time.

3.2 WORKMANSHIP

- .1 Do not spray onto structures, signs, guide rails, fences, plant material, utilities and other than surfaces intended.
- .2 Clean-up immediately, any material sprayed where not intended, to satisfaction of Consultant.
- Do not perform work under adverse field conditions such as wind speeds over 10 km/h, frozen ground or ground covered with snow, ice or standing water.

3.3 CONSTRUCTION METHOD

.1 Obtain approval of seeding by the Contract Administrator prior to hydro mulching operations.

- .2 Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a minimum of two working days notice for inspection of the seeded area.
- .3 Apply hydro mulch within 24 hours of seeding.
- .4 Prior to beginning hydro mulching operations, the Contractor shall place marker stakes throughout the project site to delineate the area to be covered by each tank load of slurry mix.
- .5 Each tank load of mix shall be completely and evenly discharged over the entire area bounded by the stakes.
- Materials shall be mixed as required and installed to meet the following rates of application and as required by mulch and tackifier manufacturer's specifications:
 - .1 Mulch: 2000 kg/ha; (20 kg/100 m²).
 - .2 Tackifier: 50 kg/ha; (0.5 kg/100 m²).
 - .3 Water: As required to completely suspend all material.
- .7 Apply slurry uniformly, at optimum angle of application for adherence to surfaces and germination of seed.
 - .1 Using correct nozzle for application
 - .2 Using hoses for surfaces difficult to reach and to control application.
- .8 Re-apply where application is not uniform.
- .9 Remove slurry from items and areas not designated to be sprayed.

3.4 INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKET

- .1 Place erosion control blanket immediately after seeding.
- .2 Obtain approval of mechanical seeding prior to installing erosion control blanket.
- .3 Place erosion control blanket material by unrolling onto graded surface in manner and locations indicated and retain in position in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- .4 Place erosion control blanket on sloping surfaces in one continuous length from toe of slope to top of embankment, slope or swale.
- .5 Overlap each successive strip of erosion control blanket 100 mm over previously laid strip.
- .6 Join successive strips of erosion control blanket as recommended by manufacturer.
- .7 Protect erosion control blanket from displacement and damage before and during placement.
- .8 Replace damaged or deteriorated erosion control blanket to approval of Consultant.

3.5 ACCEPTANCE

- .1 Mulched areas will be accepted by Consultant provided that:
 - .1 Plants are uniformly established. Seeded areas are free of rutted, eroded, bare or dead spots.
 - .2 Areas have been mown at least twice.
 - .3 Erosion control blanket has deteriorated as per manufacturer's specifications.

Areas seeded in fall will achieve final acceptance in following spring, one month after start of growing season provided acceptance conditions are fulfilled.

3.6 CLEAN UP

.1 Upon completion of installation, remove construction and accumulated dirt, surplus materials, rubbish, tools and equipment barriers in accordance with section 01 74 00 – Cleaning and Waste Processing.

END OF SECTION