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By:  Date: 10-3-12

**RE: AMERICAN LANDFILL, STARK COUNTY
OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (OAC) RULE 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c)(ii) APPROVAL
2012 FIRST SEMIANNUAL DETECTION MONITORING EVENT**

Dear Mr. Ali:

On August 20, 2012, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northeast District Office (NEDO) received a document titled *2012 First Semiannual Groundwater Monitoring OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c)(ii) Demonstration* dated August 16, 2012, for the American Landfill (Facility) located in Stark County. This document was submitted by Eagon and Associates, Inc. and contains the ground water sampling results and the statistical analysis from the April 16 and June 5, 2012, ground water sampling events at the Facility.

According to the document, analysis of the ground water detection monitoring data indicated that the following statistically significant differences (SSDs) were detected: Chloride in AMW-4; Ammonia in AMW-5; Ammonia in AMW-15; Chloride, Potassium and Sodium in LKC-4; Chloride in LKC-7; Benzene in PHL/BC-4; Chloride in PHL/BC-5; Sodium in PHL/BC-11; Chloride in PHL/BC-16; Cobalt, Copper, Nickel, and Zinc in PHL/BC-21; and, Barium in PHL/BC-22.

Verification sampling was performed on June 5, 2012. Analysis of the re-sampling data demonstrated that the statistically significant changes for Chloride in LKC-7; Copper in PHL/BC-21 and Barium in PHL/BC-22 were false positives. Therefore, the following monitoring wells were automatically returned to the detection monitoring program pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c)(i) for the initial SSDs in the April 16, 2012, sampling event: LKC-7 for Chloride; PHL/BC-21 for Copper and PHL/BC-22 for Barium. Ohio EPA acknowledges the return of these wells to the detection monitoring program. However, the re-sampling data verified the SSDs for Chloride in AMW-4; Ammonia in AMW-5; Ammonia in AMW-15; Chloride, Potassium and Sodium in LKC-4; Benzene in PHL/BC-4; Chloride in PHL/BC-5; Sodium in PHL/BC-11; Chloride in PHL/BC-16; and, Cobalt, Nickel, and Zinc in PHL/BC-21.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c)(ii), the owner or operator may demonstrate that a source other than the sanitary landfill facility caused the contamination, or that the SSDs resulted from error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation or natural variation in ground water quality. A report documenting this demonstration must be submitted to and approved by Ohio EPA. If the owner or operator does not obtain approval to continue detection monitoring within two hundred ten (210) days from initial sampling, the owner or operator is required to comply with the provisions of OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E) for ground water quality assessment monitoring.

The August 20, 2012, submittal concluded that the SSDs for Chloride in AMW-4; Ammonia in AMW-5; Ammonia in AMW-15; Chloride, Potassium and Sodium in LKC-4; Benzene in PHL/BC-4; Chloride in PHL/BC-5; Sodium in PHL/BC-11; Chloride in PHL/BC-16; and, Cobalt, Nickel, and Zinc in PHL/BC-21 were false positives due to natural and spatial variability of ground water quality within the uppermost aquifer system (UAS) and the significant zone of saturation (SZS), statistical analysis, or an alternative source.

Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information and concurs with the demonstration included in the August 20, 2012, submittal for monitoring wells AMW-4, AMW-5, AMW-15, LKC-4, PHL/BC-4, PHL/BC-5, PHL/BC-11, PHL/BC-16, and PHL/BC-21. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c)(ii), the owner or operator is hereby authorized to continue the detection monitoring program at the Facility for monitoring wells AMW-4, AMW-5, AMW-15, LKC-4, PHL/BC-4, PHL/BC-5, PHL/BC-11, PHL/BC-16, and PHL/BC-21.

Should future or existing ground water sampling results indicate SSDs in ground water monitoring parameters, the owner or operator will be required to either enter into assessment monitoring in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E) or obtain approval to remain in the detection monitoring program.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to ORC Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit you demonstrate that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Joshua Adams of Ohio EPA, DMWM-NEDO at (330) 963-1103.

Sincerely,



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