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John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

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Re: Hancock County Landfill
Director's Authorization
Final Approval
Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
Hancock County
MSWL018759

CERTIFIED

December 3, 2013

Hancock County Commissioners
300 South Main Street
Findlay, Ohio 45840

I certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the official documents as filed in the records of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

By: Jim Cassiter Date: 12-3-13

Subject: Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b) Approval

Dear Commissioners:

On October 28, 2013, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a document titled "OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b) Request to Reinstate MW-14 to Detection Monitoring at the Hancock County Solid Waste Facility," dated October 25, 2013, for the Hancock County Landfill (Facility) located in Hancock County. This document was submitted by The Mannick and Smith Group, Inc. (on behalf of) the Hancock County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b), and requested reinstatement of the ground water detection monitoring program for specific monitoring wells at the Facility and to release the owner or operator from the obligation to comply with the ground water quality assessment monitoring program implemented due to the detection of statistically significant changes for barium in monitoring well MW-14 during the March 23, 2010, ground water sampling event at the Facility.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b), the owner or operator may demonstrate that a source other than the sanitary landfill facility caused the contamination, or that the statistically significant change resulted from error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation or from natural variation in ground water quality and request that the director approve reinstatement of the detection monitoring program.

The October 25, 2013, document concluded that the statistically significant changes for barium at monitoring well MW-14 was due to dissolution of naturally occurring barite within the Silurian-age dolomite, the designated uppermost aquifer system beneath the Facility, and not as a result of impact from the landfill. Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information and concurs with this conclusion.

Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b), I hereby approve reinstatement of the ground water detection monitoring program for the monitoring wells in the ground water quality assessment monitoring program, noted above, and release the owner or operator from the obligation to comply with this assessment monitoring program at the Facility. This approval of reinstatement of the detection monitoring program applies to monitoring well MW-14.

Should future or existing ground water sampling results indicate statistically significant changes in ground water monitoring parameters, the owner or operator will be required to either enter into the ground water quality assessment monitoring program in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E) or obtain approval to remain in the detection monitoring program pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c).

This approval shall not be construed to release the owner or operator from the obligation to comply with the requirements of any other ground water quality assessment monitoring program being conducted at the Facility.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director of Ohio EPA (Director) is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. 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 the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated 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:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
77 South High St., 17th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Curtis DeLong of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3033.

Sincerely,



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