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Timothy Haaf
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**Re: Seneca East Recycling and Disposal Facility, Seneca County
Corrective Measures Demonstration**

Dear Mr. Haaf:

On April 16, 2001, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) issued an approval for a Corrective Measures and Ground Water Monitoring Plan (Plan) for Waste Management's Seneca East Recycling and Disposal Facility (Facility) located in Seneca County. Condition 3 of that approval states, in part, that the concentration goals and triggers for evaluation of additional corrective actions shall be performed in accordance with the Plan.

The Plan states that if action limit exceedances are confirmed at any down gradient ground water monitoring well, Ohio EPA must be notified. By document dated February 13, 2004, and titled 2003 Annual Corrective Measures Ground-Water Monitoring Results, you notified Ohio EPA of action level exceedances for sodium at monitoring well MW-105D and chloride at monitoring well MW-106D.

The Plan also states that, based on the evaluation of all the data, Waste Management may submit a report that demonstrates that the exceedances are not related to the Facility and do not warrant additional corrective measures. By document dated May 14, 2004, Waste Management submitted the Evaluation of Action Limit Exceedances, 2003 Corrective Measures Ground-Water Monitoring for the Facility. This document contains a demonstration indicating that the action level exceedances mentioned above do not warrant additional corrective measures.

Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information, and we concur with Waste Management's conclusions. The demonstration does not eliminate the landfill as a potential source of the increase in concentrations of sodium at monitoring well MW-105D and chloride at monitoring well MW-106D. However, due to the low concentrations of the constituents detected and pursuant to the April 16, 2001, approval and the Plan, I hereby approve your demonstration that these action limit exceedances do not warrant additional

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corrective measures. The action limits in the Plan should be revised appropriately. This approval applies only to the aforementioned demonstration. Should future ground water sampling results indicate exceedances of the action limits in the ground water sampling parameters, Waste Management will be required to perform additional corrective measures or obtain similar approval.

You are hereby notified that this action of the director of Ohio EPA is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission (Commission) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 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. It must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the director's action. A copy of the appeal must be served on the director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. An appeal may be filed with the Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
309 South Fourth Street
Room 222
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this approval, please feel free to contact Mike Beal of Ohio EPA's Northwest District Office at (419) 373-3093. All written correspondence should be sent to Mr. Ben Smith, Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management, Ohio EPA Northwest District Office, 347 N. Dunbridge Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402.

Sincerely,

Christopher Jones
Director

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