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November 13, 2006

Ms. Michelle Hughes-Tucker
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Hoffman Road Landfill
3962 Hoffman Road
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**Re: Hoffman Road Landfill, Lucas County
Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b) Approval**

Dear Ms. Hughes-Tucker:

On September 22, 2006, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a document titled "Statistical Report of Groundwater Quality," dated September 21, 2006, for the Hoffman Road Landfill (Facility) located in Lucas County. This document was submitted by Hull & Associates, Inc. on behalf of the owner/operator of the Facility, 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 chloride and sodium in monitoring wells MW-3, MW-5, MW-7, MW-10, MW-12, MW-13, MW-14, MW-15, and MW-21.

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 September 21, 2006 document concluded that the statistically significant changes for chloride and sodium at monitoring wells MW-3, MW-5, MW-7, MW-10, MW-12, MW-13, MW-14, MW-15, and MW-21 were due to natural variability in ground water quality, and not as a result of impact from the landfill. Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information and concurs with this conclusion.

Bob Taft, Governor
Bruce Johnson, Lieutenant Governor
Joseph P. Koncelik, Director

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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 wells MW-3, MW-5, MW-7, MW-10, MW-12, MW-13, MW-14, MW-15, and MW-21 .

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 (Director) is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission (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 which 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:

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

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Mike Reiser of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3126.

Sincerely,

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