

**BEFORE THE  
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

In the Matter of:

A&L Salvage, LLC	:	
11225 State Route 45	:	<u>Director's Final</u>
P.O. Box 333	:	<u>Findings and Orders</u>
Lisbon, OH 44432	:	

**I. JURISDICTION**

These Director's Final Findings and Orders ("Orders") are issued to A&L Salvage, LLC ("A&L") pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("Ohio EPA") under Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") Section 3714.04 and Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 3745-400-15(D).

**II. PARTIES BOUND**

These Orders shall apply to and be binding upon A&L and successors in interest liable under Ohio law. No change in ownership of A&L or of the Facility, as hereinafter defined, shall in any way alter A&L's obligations under these Orders.

**III. DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise stated, all terms used in these Orders shall have the same meaning as defined in ORC Chapter 3714 and the rules promulgated thereunder.

**IV. FINDINGS**

The Director of Ohio EPA ("Director") has determined the following findings:

1. A&L is the owner, operator, and licensee of the A&L Salvage C&DD Landfill ("Facility") located at 11225 State Route 45, Elk Run and Center Townships, Columbiana County, Ohio. The Facility is a "construction and demolition debris facility" as that term is defined in OAC Rule 3745-400-01(G). A&L is currently operating the Facility pursuant to its 2006 Construction and Demolition Debris Facility License, effective January 18, 2006.
2. OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv) requires that the standard cap system have a minimum slope of three percent and a maximum slope of 25 percent and requires that the standard cap system be graded to eliminate ponding, promote drainage, and minimize erosion.

3. On August 8, 2006, Ohio EPA received a request dated August 8, 2006, from A&L for an exemption, pursuant to ORC Section 3714.04 and OAC Rule 3745-400-15(D), from the standard cap maximum slope requirement in OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv). A&L submitted revisions to the request through September 11, 2006. The request was submitted by R.W. Zollinger Consulting Engineers, Inc. (RZI) on behalf of A&L. In lieu of following the requirements in OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv), A&L requested to increase the maximum slope of the cap system to 33 percent (3H:1V) as an alternative maximum slope for the inactive licensed disposal area ("ILDA") described in the license application titled *2007 License Renewal and Modification Application, A&L Salvage C&DD Landfill*, received on September 29, 2006.
4. The August 8, 2006, exemption request is supported by a slope stability analysis, prepared pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-08, demonstrating that the Facility will remain stable under design static and dynamic conditions. The request is also supported by surface water erosion calculations demonstrating that the Facility will maintain a maximum erosion rate of less than five tons per acre per year in accordance with OAC Rules 3745-400-07(A)(3) and 3745-400-07(G)(3).
5. Pursuant to ORC Section 3714.04 and OAC Rule 3745-400-15(D), the licensing authority may exempt any person disposing of or proposing to dispose of construction and demolition debris in such quantities or under such circumstances that, in the determination of the licensing authority, are unlikely to adversely affect the public health or safety or the environment, or create a fire hazard, from any provision of ORC Chapter 3714 or any rule adopted or order issued thereunder, except for the sole source aquifer location prohibition or asbestos requirements.
6. Based upon a review of the August 8, 2006, request and subsequent revisions, and as supported by an acceptable slope stability analysis and soil erosion calculations, granting A&L an exemption from the maximum slope requirement in OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv) is unlikely to adversely affect the public health or safety or the environment, or create a fire hazard, provided A&L complies with the following orders.

## **V. ORDERS**

1. Pursuant to ORC Section 3714.04 and OAC Rule 3745-400-15(D), A&L is hereby exempted from the maximum slope requirement in OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv) at the Facility in accordance with these Orders and the August 8, 2006, request, as revised through September 11, 2006.
2. In lieu of following the maximum slope requirement in OAC Rule 3745-400-07(G)(2)(a)(iv), A&L may propose in future license and/or permit applications to

construct the facility to the grades specified in the August 8, 2006, request, as revised through September 11, 2006, at a maximum slope not to exceed 3H:1V, for the Facility's ILDA delineated in the request.

3. Nothing in these Orders shall be construed as approval of the license application titled *2007 License Renewal and Modification Application, A&L Salvage C&DD Landfill*, received on September 29, 2006. Additional authorizations through a construction and demolition debris license, construction and demolition debris permit-to-install, and/or other authorization(s) as applicable, must be obtained by the Facility Owner and/or Operator prior to constructing the Facility to the final slopes identified in the August 8, 2006, request, as revised through September 11, 2006.
4. Nothing in these Orders shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations except as specified herein. These Orders shall not be interpreted to release A&L from responsibility under ORC Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111; under the Federal Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; or from other applicable requirements for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants to the environment.

#### **VI. OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS**

All actions required to be taken pursuant to these Orders shall be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations. These Orders do not waive or compromise the applicability and enforcement of any other statutes or regulations applicable to A&L and/or the Facility.

#### **VII. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent Ohio EPA from seeking legal or equitable relief to enforce the terms of these Orders or from taking other administrative, legal, or equitable action as deemed appropriate and necessary, including seeking penalties against A&L for noncompliance with these Orders.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent Ohio EPA from exercising its lawful authority to require A&L to perform additional activities pursuant to ORC Chapter 3714 or any other applicable law in the future. Nothing herein shall restrict the right of A&L to raise any administrative, legal, or equitable claim or defense with respect to such further actions which Ohio EPA may seek to require of A&L. Nothing in these Orders shall be construed to limit the authority of Ohio EPA to seek relief for violations which may occur at the Facility.

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**IT IS SO ORDERED**

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Joseph P. Koncelik, Director  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency