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Ms. Robin L. Jones  
Waste Management, Inc.  
P.O. Box 13506  
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**Re: St. Paris Landfill  
Explosive Gas Monitoring Plan Approval**

Dear Ms. Jones:

On June 30, 2006, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM), Southwest District Office (SWDO), received a document titled "*Explosive Gas Monitoring Plan, Saint Paris Landfill 980 Trestle Road Saint Paris, Ohio 43072,*" Revisions to the explosive gas monitoring plan were received on November 13, 2006. The explosive gas monitoring plan as received on June 30, 2006 and as revised November 13, 2006 (EGMP) was prepared by Environmental Information Logistics, on behalf of Waste Management, Inc. pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-12, as effective August 15, 2003.

Ohio EPA has reviewed the EGMP as revised, and determined that it meets applicable requirements. Therefore, I hereby approve the EGMP for the Saint Paris Landfill (Facility). The owner shall implement the EGMP pursuant to the following conditions:

1. All activities shall be conducted in strict accordance with the plans, specifications, and information submitted as part of the EGMP. There may be no deviation from the approved plans without the express, written approval of Ohio EPA. Any future activities may require additional Ohio EPA approval.
2. Not later than 60 days after the effective date of this approval, Waste Management, Inc. shall implement the EGMP.
3. Issuance of this approval does not constitute expressed or implied agreement that the monitoring of the Facility performed and implemented in accordance with the approved EGMP and/or its terms and conditions will constitute compliance with applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations, nor does issuance of this plan approval ensure that necessary operating permits or licenses will be granted.

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4. Ohio EPA, SWDO, DSIWM, and the Champaign County Health District shall receive written notice not later than 72 hours prior to commencement of the proposed activities.
5. Nothing in this letter shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. This authorization shall not be interpreted to release Waste Management, Inc. or others from responsibility under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111; under the Federal Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; or from other applicable requirements for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants from the facility to the environment.

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 (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 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 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 Commission at the following address:

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

If you have any questions concerning this authorization, please contact Pat Willoughby of Ohio EPA, SWDO at (937) 285-6648.

Sincerely,

Chris Korleski  
Director

cc: Sheila Hiddleson, Champaign County Health District  
Tracy Buchanan, DSIWM/SWDO  
Scott Hester, DSIWM/CO