

**BEFORE THE  
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

In the Matter of:

May 28 and 29, 2019 Tornadoes	:	<u>Director's Final Findings</u>
and Severe Thunderstorm Cleanup	:	<u>and Orders</u>
	:	

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**I. JURISDICTION**

These Director's Final Findings and Orders ("Orders") are hereby pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("Ohio EPA") under Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") Section 3745.012, 3734.02(G), and 3714.04(A).

**II. DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise stated, all terms used in these Orders shall have the same meaning as defined in ORC Chapter 3734. and 3714. and the rules promulgated thereunder.

**III. FINDINGS**

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

1. On May 27 and 28, 2019, Ohio experienced a series of tornadoes and severe thunderstorms across the State that generated "solid waste" as that term is defined under ORC Section 3734.01(E) or "construction and demolition debris" ("C&DD") as defined under ORC Section 3714.01. Large amounts of solid waste and C&DD will be disposed or transferred for disposal as a result of the tornadoes and thunderstorms. The Facilities anticipated to receive the solid waste or C&DD include but are not limited to those listed in Attachment A ("Respondents").
2. Respondents are "Landfills" or "Transfer Stations", collectively "Facilities", and are each a "facility" as that term is defined under ORC Sections 3734.01(N) or 3714.01.
3. The Landfills are each either a "solid waste disposal facility" or "construction and demolition debris facility" as defined under OAC Rules 3745-27-01(S)(23) or 3745-400-01.
4. The Transfer Stations are each a "solid waste transfer facility" as defined under OAC Rules 3745-27-01(S)(27).

5. Pursuant to ORC Section 3734.57(A), state disposal fees are to be levied on the disposal of solid waste at solid waste disposal facilities or transfer for disposal at solid waste transfer facilities. These solid waste disposal fees are collected and remitted to the State of Ohio on each ton of solid waste disposed or transferred.
6. The solid waste that will be generated and disposed of as a result of the tornadoes is subject to a \$4.75 per ton state disposal fee pursuant to ORC Section 3734.57(A).
7. Pursuant to ORC Sections 3714.07, 3714.071 and 3714.073, disposal fees are to be levied on the disposal of C&DD at licensed construction and demolition debris facilities at a rate of \$1.60 per ton. These fees are to be remitted as follows:
  - ◆ \$ 0.60 to licensing authority and other governmental entities, in accordance with the following:
    - \$ 0.06 to Ohio EPA (if licensing authority is the health district)
    - Up to \$ 0.06 to host county (if county appropriates a fee by resolution)
    - Up to \$ 0.08 to host municipality or township (if municipality or township appropriates a fee by ordinance or resolution)
    - \$ 0.40 – \$0.60 retained by the licensing authority (depending on the applicability of the preceding fee deductions)
  - ◆ \$ 0.25 to ODNR Soil and Water Conservation Districts (ORC 3714.073)
  - ◆ \$ 0.75 to Ohio EPA recycling and litter prevention fund (ORC 3714.073)
8. On May 28, 2019, the Governor of Ohio declared a state of emergency as a result of the tornadoes and thunderstorms aforementioned herein.
9. Pursuant to ORC 3745.012(B)(2), the Director may waive a fee incurred as a result of responding to an emergency, including fees for the disposal of material and debris, if the governor declares a state of emergency.
10. Under ORC Section 3734.02(G), the Director may by order exempt any person generating, collecting, storing, treating, disposing of, or transporting solid waste in such quantities or under such circumstances that, in the determination of the Director, is unlikely to adversely affect public health or safety or the environment from any requirement of this chapter.
11. Pursuant to ORC Section 3734.02(G), the Director has determined that waiving the state disposal fee for solid waste for a period of time is unlikely to adversely affect the public health or safety or the environment.

12. Under ORC Section 3714.04(A), the Director may issue an order exempting any person disposing of or proposing to dispose of C&DD in such quantities or under such circumstances that, in the determination of the director, are unlikely to adversely affect public health or safety or the environment or create a fire hazard from any provision of this chapter or a rule adopted under it.
13. Pursuant to ORC Section 3714.04(A), the Director has determined that waiving the state disposal fee for C&DD for a period of time is unlikely to adversely affect the public health or safety or the environment or create a fire hazard.

#### **IV. ORDERS**

The Director hereby issues the following Orders:

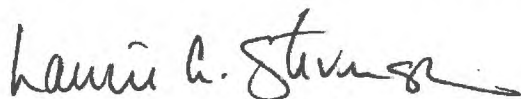
1. Respondents are hereby waived from the state disposal fees for solid waste and C&DD described in Findings No. 1 for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of these Orders. This waiver is only applicable to solid waste/debris generated as a result of the severe weather events identified in Findings No. 1. above.
2. Nothing in these Orders shall be construed to authority any activity, method, or waiver from the requirements of ORC Chapter 3734. or 3714. or the rules promulgated thereunder, except as expressly provided herein.

#### **V. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of these Orders is the date these Orders are entered into the Ohio EPA Director's journal.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

**OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**



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Laurie A. Stevenson, Director  
Ohio EPA

**ATTACHMENT A**

SWACO Franklin County Sanitary  
Landfill  
3851 London Groveport Rd  
Grove City, OH 43123

Republic Services Pine Grove Regional  
Facility  
5131 Drinkle Rd SW  
Amada, OH 43102

Rumpke Waste Inc Pike Sanitation  
Landfill  
11775 State Route 220 East  
Waverly, OH 45690

Rumpke Waste Inc Beech Hollow  
Landfill  
28 A W Long Rd  
Wellston, OH 45692

Suburban Landfill Inc  
3415 Twp Rd 447  
Glenford, OH 43739

Tunnell Hill Reclamation LLC  
8822 Tunnel Hill Rd.  
New Lexington, OH 43764

Kimble Sanitary Landfill  
3596 State Rte 39 NW  
Dover, OH 44622

Maharg Inc Solid Waste Transfer  
Facility  
3726 Monroe Rd  
Celina, OH 45822

Rumpke Waste Inc Greenville Transfer  
Facility  
5474 Jaysville-St Johns Rd  
Greenville, OH 45331

Miami County Solid Waste & Recycling  
Facility  
2200 N Co Rd 25 A  
Troy, OH 45373

Montgomery County South Transfer  
Facility  
2550 Sandridge Dr  
Dayton, OH 45439

Stony Hollow Landfill Inc  
2460 S Gettysburg Avenue  
Dayton, OH 45417

Rumpke Sanitary Landfill  
10795 Hughes Rd  
Cincinnati, OH 45251

Cherokee Run Landfill Inc  
2946 US Rte 68 N  
Bellefontaine, OH 43311

Rumpke Waste Inc Circleville Transfer  
Facility  
21955 Hassle Dr  
Circleville, OH 43113

Rumpke Waste Inc Chillicothe Recycling  
& Transfer Facility  
990 Eastern Ave  
Chillicothe, OH 45601