



Mike DeWine, Governor  
Jon Husted, Lt. Governor  
Laurie A. Stevenson, Director

May 13, 2020

Mr. Eddie Hale  
Richland County RSWMA  
1125 National Parkway  
Mansfield, Ohio 44906

Re: Richland County Sanitary Landfill  
Director's Authorization  
Approval  
Municipal Solid Waste Landfills  
Richland County  
MSWL019379

**Subject: Richland County Sanitary Landfill, Richland County  
Explosive Gas Monitoring Plan Approval**

Dear Mr. Hale:

On December 23, 2019, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a revised document titled, *Explosive Gas Monitoring Plan* (EGMP) for the closed Richland County Landfill (Facility), with subsequent revisions received through February 24, 2020.

Ohio EPA has reviewed the EGMP and has determined that it meets the applicable requirements set forth in Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-27-12. Therefore, I hereby approve the EGMP for the Facility. The Richland County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority (Richland County RSWMA) shall implement the EGMP in accordance with 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 expressed, written approval of Ohio EPA. Any future activities may require additional Ohio EPA approval.
2. Not later than 30 days after the effective date of this approval, the Richland County RSWMA 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 state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, and nor does issuance of this plan approval ensure operating permits or licenses will be granted.
4. Nothing in this letter shall be construed to authorize any waiver from any requirements of applicable state solid waste laws or regulations. This authorization shall not be interpreted to release the owner, operator or others from responsibility under 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 to the environment.

**END OF CONDITIONS**

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals 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 thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated 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  
30 East Broad Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this approval, please contact Kristin Tillison of Ohio EPA, DMWM, NWDO at [kristin.tillison@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:kristin.tillison@epa.ohio.gov) or by phone at (419) 373-3064.

Sincerely,



Laurie A. Stevenson  
Director

ec: Heather Decker, Richland Public Health  
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