



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

March 2, 2021

Robin L. Jones
Waste Management, Inc.
1700 N. Broad Street
Fairborn, OH 45324

Re: Wellston LDF
Director's Authorization
Approval
Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
Jackson County
MSWL019997

**Subject: Wellston LDF, Jackson County
Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g) Approval**

Dear Ms. Jones:

On October 21, 2020, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Southeast District Office (SEDO) received a request titled, *Statistical Analysis Program – Revision 12* (Request). The Request was submitted by Eagon and Associates, Inc., on behalf of Waste Management, Inc., and proposed to update the background data group representing the background water quality at monitoring well MW-4 for chromium at Wellston LDF (Facility) located in Jackson County, Ohio.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g), background data can be added only in blocks of data resulting from the analysis of four or more statistically independent samples after the data have been statistically compared to the current background data and no statistical differences are detected, unless another method is deemed acceptable to the director.

Waste Management, Inc. has met the requirement for including a minimum of four (4) data points for all constituents and monitoring wells during the observation period. As part of the complete data set, Waste Management, Inc. is requesting to update the background observation period with data points that were noted to be statistically significant increases, which require approval from the Director.

Ohio EPA has reviewed the Request and concurs that the statistically different data be added to the existing background dataset. Ohio EPA's review determined that the owner or operator has provided sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the statistically different data can be added to the existing background datasets and meets the requirements of OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g) in the document. Therefore, Ohio EPA approves the Request pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g) at Wellston LDF.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director of Environmental Protection (Director) is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals

Commission pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 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, 4th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Joe Laughery of Ohio EPA, SEDO at joseph.laughery@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,



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Director, Ohio EPA

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