



John R. Kasich, Governor
 Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
 Craig W. Butler, Director

March 31, 2017

Hancock County Commissioners
 514 South Main Street, 2nd Floor
 Findlay, Ohio 45840

Re: Hancock County Landfill
 Director's Authorization
 Approval
 Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
 Hancock County
 MSWL018759

Ohio EPA MAR 31 '17
 Entered Directors Journal

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

Dear Commissioners:

On March 13, 2017, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a request, dated March 10, 2017, titled *OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g) Request to Add Different Data to Sand/Silt Zone Well SW-2 Background Dataset*. The document was submitted in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g) by The Mannik and Smith Group, on behalf of the Hancock County Commissioners (Owner), and requested to update the background data group representing the background water quality at monitoring well SW-2 for ammonia at the Hancock County Landfill (Facility) located at 3763 County Road 140, Findlay, Ohio, in Hancock County.

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.

The Hancock County Commissioners have proposed using the following statistically significant data from SW-2 as part of the Facility's background data.

Monitoring Well	Parameter	Sample Date	Concentration
SW-2	ammonia	4/26/2000	0.99 mg/l
		3/23/2004	0.90 mg/l
		11/18/2014	1.35 mg/l
		1/6/2015	0.937 mg/l

Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information and concurs with the addition of the above data to existing background data. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(C)(7)(g), the owner or operator is hereby authorized to incorporate the above data in the Facility's background data.

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
77 South High Street, 17th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Curtis DeLong of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3033.

Sincerely,



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