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Joe Miller, Chairman
Holmes County Board of Commissioners
2 Court Street, Suite 14
Millersburg, OH 44654

**RE: Holmes County Landfill, Holmes County
Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b) Approval**

Dear Mr. Miller:

On December 17, 2009, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM), Northeast District Office (NEDO) received a document, containing ground water detection monitoring data, dated December 16, 2009, for the Holmes County Landfill (Facility) located in Holmes County. According to the document, analysis of the ground water detection monitoring data indicated that the following statistically significant changes were detected: potassium at monitoring wells UZ-10, UZ-11, LZ-1R, LZ-2, and LZ-3R; and sodium at monitoring well UZ-12. Monitoring wells UZ-10, UZ-11, LZ-1R, LZ-2, and LZ-3R were initially sampled on November 18 and 19, 2008.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b), the owner or operator may demonstrate that a source other than the sanitary landfill facility caused the contamination, or that the statistically significant change resulted from error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation, or from natural variation in ground water quality, and request that the director approve reinstatement of the detection monitoring program.

The December 16, 2009 document concluded that the statistically significant changes for potassium at monitoring wells UZ-10, UZ-11, LZ-1R, LZ-2, and LZ-3R; and sodium at monitoring well UZ-12 were due to natural variation, and not as a result of impact from the landfill. Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information and concurs with this conclusion. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(b), I hereby approve reinstatement of the ground water detection monitoring program for the monitoring wells in the ground water quality assessment monitoring program noted above, and release the owner or operator from the obligation to comply with this assessment monitoring program at the Facility.

I certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the official documents as filed in the records of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

By: Chris Korleski Date: 1-19-10

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Should future or existing ground water sampling results indicate statistically significant changes in ground water monitoring parameters, the owner or operator will be required to either enter into the ground water quality assessment monitoring program in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E) or obtain approval to remain in the detection monitoring program pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c).

This approval shall not be construed to release the owner or operator from the obligation to comply with the requirements of any other ground water quality assessment monitoring program being conducted at the Facility.

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 pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. 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 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 (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
309 South Fourth Street
Room 222
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Katharina Snyder of Ohio EPA, NEDO at (330) 963-1257.

Sincerely,



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Director, Ohio EPA

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