



**Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM)
Response to Comments**

**Project: Spring Grove Resource Recovery, Inc. (SGRR)
Hazardous Waste Permit Renewal**

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Ohio EPA held a public hearing on November 13, 2012, regarding Spring Grove Resource Recovery Inc.'s Hazardous Waste Permit Renewal. This document summarizes the comments and questions received at the public hearing and during the associated comment period, which ended on November 15, 2012.

Ohio EPA reviewed and considered all comments received during the public comment period. By law, Ohio EPA has authority to consider specific issues related to protection of the environment and public health. Often, public concerns fall outside the scope of that authority. For example, concerns about zoning issues are addressed at the local level. Ohio EPA may respond to those concerns in this document by identifying another government agency with more direct authority over the issue.

In an effort to help you review this document, the questions are grouped by topic and organized in a consistent format.

Flooding

Comment 1: An organization and its representative were concerned that SGRR's facility is located within the 100-year flood plain.

- Response 1:** According to Federal Emergency Management Agency's flood plain maps, SGRR, located at 4879 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45232, is not within the 100 year flood plain.
- Comment 2:** **The organization and its representative were concerned the volume of rain water from a 1-inch 25-year rainfall event would exceed SGRR's containment capacity.**
- Response 2:** SGRR is located on approximately five acres, with approximately 90,000 sq. ft. of building space. SGRR's storm water storage capacity is approximately 38,989 gallons. SGRR also has secondary containment on all permitted outside storage areas that equals 61,058 gallons. The permitted outside storage areas' secondary containment is designed to account for a 25-year, 24-hour rain event.
- Comment 3:** **The organization and its representative were concerned with SGRR's ability to stop discharging to the sanitary sewer in the event of an overflow of the combined sewers.**
- Response 3:** In the event of flooding that causes the combined sewers to overflow, SGRR has the capacity to stop discharging waste water from the waste water treatment unit and storm water to the sewer system.

Comments from Mill Creek Watershed Council and Mr. Michael Miller

End of Response to Comments