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I certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the  
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**Re: Hardy Road Sanitary Landfill, Summit County  
Approval for Alternative Daily Cover**

Dear Mr. Dubetz:

On February 27, 2002, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) received a request for authorization to use Geotex 315ST as alternative daily cover material on an "ongoing basis at the Hardy Road Sanitary Landfill, located at 1585 Hardy Road, Akron, Summit County. The request, dated February 26, 2002, was submitted by Akron Regional Landfill, Inc. (ARLI) on behalf of the City of Akron and ARLI. The facility is owned by Akron and operated by ARLI, a subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. (WMI). The request specifically seeks authorization to use Geotex 315ST as alternative daily cover material in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-19(F).

Akron received approval to use Geotex 315ST as alternative daily cover on a 180 day trial basis at the Hardy Road Sanitary Landfill on July 10, 2001. ARLI utilized Geotex 315ST between July 23, 2001 and January 4, 2002, and found the material effective in controlling blowing litter, odors, dust, vectors, and fire hazards. I have reviewed the information submitted from the 180 day trial period and have determined that the use of Geotex 315ST as an alternative form of daily cover has the potential to provide protection comparable to soil daily cover. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-19(F)(3), I hereby approve ARLI to use Geotex 315ST as alternative daily cover material on an ongoing basis at the Hardy Road Sanitary Landfill. This approval is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. The owner or operator shall not utilize more than 100,000 square feet of alternative daily cover material at one time. This maximum includes all forms of alternative daily cover that are in use at any one time.
2. Geotex 315ST shall not be used as intermediate or final cover. Any solid waste disposal area which remains inactive for a period of seven days and which has been

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covered with Geotex 315ST alternative daily cover, shall be covered with at least six inches of soil in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-19(F) by the end of the seventh day.

3. Geotex 315ST shall be placed over exposed waste materials by the end of the working day, or more frequently if necessary, to control fire hazards, blowing litter, odor, dust, insects, and rodents.
4. Geotex 315ST shall be promptly replaced or repaired as soon as it becomes frayed, torn, ripped, or otherwise ineffective and can no longer serve its intended purpose.
5. If inclement weather conditions will render the placement or use of Geotex 315ST ineffective or otherwise unsatisfactory, ARLI shall temporarily revert to using conventional soil cover in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-19(F) until such conditions cease to exist. Under such circumstances, ARLI may apply another alternative daily cover material that has been approved for use at the landfill, provided that the material is able to perform effectively under the inclement conditions,
6. If ARLI deems the Geotex 315ST material to be ineffective or otherwise unsatisfactory, ARLI shall immediately revert to using conventional soil cover in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-19(F). Under such circumstances, ARLI may apply another alternative daily cover material that has been approved for use at the landfill. ARLI shall immediately notify Ohio EPA's Northeast District Office of this action both verbally and through written communication. This notification is not necessary if use of Geotex 315ST ceases only on a temporary basis in accordance with Condition Number 5.
7. If Ohio EPA determines that the use of Geotex 315ST is ineffective or unsatisfactory, then permission to use the material may be revoked. Upon revocation, ARLI shall immediately cease to use Geotex 315ST as alternative daily cover material at the landfill and shall revert to using conventional soil cover in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-19(F). Under such circumstances, ARLI may apply another alternative daily cover material that has been approved for use at the landfill.
8. Nothing in this letter shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable state solid waste laws or regulations. This authorization shall not be interpreted to release the entity from responsibility under Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111 of the Ohio Revised Code; under the Federal Clean Water Act, or Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; or from other requirements for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants to the environment.

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You are hereby notified that this action of the Director of Environmental Protection 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 30 days after notice of the director's action. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the director within three days after the appeal is filed with the commission. An appeal may be filed with the commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission  
236 East Town Street  
Room 300  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Sincerely,



Christopher Jones  
Director

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