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Hancock County Board of Commissioners
300 South Main Street
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**Re: Hancock County Landfill, Hancock County
Ohio Administrative Code(OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a) Authorization**

Dear Commissioners:

On October 21, 2004, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) received a request, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), to reinstate ground water monitoring wells SW-5 and MW-4 back into the detection monitoring program at the Hancock County Landfill (Facility). During the March 22-24, 2004, and March 31, 2004, ground water sampling events and the May and August 2004 resampling events, statistically significant increases of sodium and potassium were detected at monitoring well SW-5 and chloride at monitoring well MW-4 at the Facility.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), the owner or operator may determine that the concentrations of all waste-derived constituents are shown to be at or below background values for two consecutive sampling events and request that the director approve reinstatement of the detection monitoring program.

Based on the information contained in the request, the results of two consecutive sampling events, conducted September 22-24, 2004, and October 14, 2004, indicated that the concentrations of all waste-derived constituents, including the aforementioned contaminants, were at or below background values at monitoring wells SW-5 and MW-4. Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information, and we concur with this conclusion. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), I hereby approve reinstatement of monitoring wells SW-5 and MW-4 back into the detection monitoring program.

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 assessment monitoring 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).

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 (Commission) pursuant to Ohio

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Jennette Bradley, Lieutenant Governor
Joseph P. Koncelik, Director

Revised Code Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the ground upon which the appeal is based. The appeal shall be filed with the Commission within 30 days after notice of the action. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the director within three (3) 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
309 South Fourth Street
Room 222
Columbus, Ohio 43215

A detailed account of Ohio EPA's review of this request will be sent to you under separate cover. If you have any questions concerning this document, you may contact Ben Smith of Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office at 419-373-3062.

Sincerely,

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