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Mr. Steve Lonneman, District Manager
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Re: Evergreen Recycling and Disposal Facility, Wood County
Engineering Inspection

Dear Mr. Lonneman:

On June 27, 2008, Ohio EPA performed an engineering inspection of the Evergreen Recycling and Disposal Facility. Andy Drumm and Habib Kaake represented Ohio EPA and Dan Raezer represented Waste Management of Ohio Inc. (WMI). The purpose of the inspection was to determine if the facility was maintaining the engineering components of the landfill and to verify that the construction was following applicable authorizing documents. A re-inspection was performed by Andy Drumm and Habib Kaake on July 2, 2008. Brian Farmer represented WMI on the re-inspection.

The following items were noted during the inspection:

Several leachate outbreaks were noted below the lower bench on the east side of Cells 9A through 11A. The largest outbreak appeared to be near the Cell 10B manhole. These outbreaks must be addressed. The site had not done anything to correct these leachate outbreaks at the time of the re-inspection. WMI is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-19(K)(1) for not properly containing and managing leachate.

Several leachate outbreaks were noted on the north slope of Cell 11A. These leachate outbreaks were repaired prior to the re-inspection. Two new leachate outbreaks were noted during the re-inspection on the same slope.

A large amount of leachate was observed on some newly placed recompacted clay in cell 11B East. This leachate appeared to have come from the Cell 11B West waste. It appears that the geomembrane rainflap that was placed during the Cell 11B West construction had been damaged. It appeared that the facility had attempted to contain the leachate, but the leachate had overtopped the containment and flowed into the tie-in area and Cell 11B East prior to Ohio EPA's inspection. Surface water and leachate that is in Cell 11B East is being pumped out of the cell and into the surface water ditches.

During the re-inspection leachate was observed in large puddles outside of Cell 11B West in the tie-in area. Any leachate contaminated clay/soil should be removed and disposed of at the working face.

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The damage to the rainflap is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-19(E)(1)(c) which states, "The owner or operator shall maintain the integrity of the engineered components of the sanitary landfill facility and repair any damage to or failure of the components." Within 10 days WMI must inform Ohio EPA/NWDO how they intend to deal with this damage in order to deal with future rain events and the on-going construction of Cell 11B East.

There was significant erosion in an area west of the solidification pits just south of the haul road. This area should be addressed as soon as possible since the erosion is more than two feet deep. It appears that this erosion was caused by a large amount of runoff coming from the solidification area. WMI should insure that surface water is directed to the rock letdown so as to not cause future erosion.

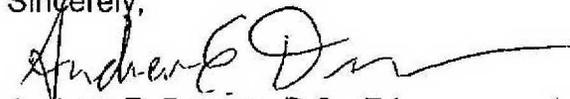
The first rock letdown south of the haul road needs to be addressed also. A portion of the geotextile fabric was exposed in areas where there should be rock as part of the rock letdown. The riprap should be replaced in this area so that the rock chute can function properly.

Compliance with the requirements outlined in this letter, or the solid and infectious waste provisions contained in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3734 and the rules promulgated thereunder, does not relieve the owner/operator of Evergreen RDF, Inc. from their obligation to comply with other applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

This correspondence addressed specific observations only for the areas of the Evergreen RDF that were inspected. Nothing present in, nor absent from this correspondence is intended to mean that no violations existed at the facility at the time of inspection.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (419) 373-3061.

Sincerely,



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