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May 24, 2007

**RE: HARRISON COUNTY
FAC - HOPEDALE CLOSED LANDFILL**

The Honorable William A. Decker
Mayor, Village of Hopedale
P.O. Box 517
Hopedale, Ohio 43976

Dear Mayor Decker:

On May 17, 2007, I conducted an inspection of the Village of Hopedale closed landfill, located on Dump Road in Green Township, as required by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-14. The following observations were based on my recent inspection:

1. **OAC Rule 3745-27-14(A)(2) states that the owner, operator or permittee shall maintain the integrity and effectiveness of the cap system, including making repairs to the cap system as necessary to correct the effects of settling, dead vegetation, subsidence, ponding, erosion, leachate outbreaks, or other events, and preventing run-on and run-off from eroding or otherwise damaging the cap system.**

During my recent inspection, I observed several areas on the southwest portion of the landfill where vegetation is very sparse or non-existent. As stated above, OAC Rule 3745-27-14(A)(2) requires, in part, that the effectiveness of the landfill cap system be maintained by making the repairs necessary to correct the effects of dead vegetation.

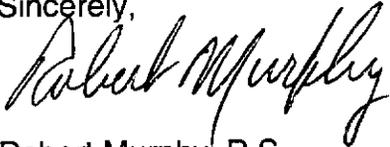
Therefore, based on my May 17, 2007, inspection, the Village of Hopedale is currently in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-14(A)(2).

I have enclosed a copy of my inspection checklist which was completed as a part of my inspection. Please correct the above described conditions at the Hopedale Landfill and contact me when any necessary work has been complete to remediate these conditions so that I may schedule a follow up inspection of the landfill.

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Should you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at (740) 380-5408.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

cc: Jamie Howell, Harrison County Health Department

CLOSED SANITARY LANDFILL FACILITY INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Health District: Harrison Co./Ohio EPA Program Inspection Date: 5/17/07
 Inspector(s) Name(s): Bob Murphy
 Facility Name: Village of Hopedale Closed Landfill Facility I.D. #: 34-00-01
 Address: Dump Road, (T.R. 62) Hopedale, Ohio 43976
 Phone: _____ County: Harrison
 Operator Name: Mr. Rick Atkins Date Facility Closed: 1988
 Corporate Address: P.O. Box 476, Hopedale Ohio 43976
 Corporate Contact: Mayor William A. Decker Contact Phone #: 740-937-2355

Is facility in compliance with the following regulations; YES or NO. Place an X in the appropriate column to denote compliance status. If the regulation does not apply, put NA (not applicable) in the YES column.

3745-27-14 Post-Closure Care of Sanitary Landfill

YES	NO	(A)(1)	Operation and maintenance of:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Leachate management system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Surface water management system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Explosive gas extraction and/or control system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Explosive gas monitoring system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Ground water monitoring system
		(A)(2)	Maintain integrity and effectiveness of cap system:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Correct effects of settling
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Correct dead vegetation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Correct subsidence
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Correct erosion
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Prevent run-on and run-off from eroding /damaging cap
		(A)(3)	Quarterly inspection of facility:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Written summary to Ohio EPA within 15 days
		(A)(4)	Fulfilling all monitoring and reporting requirements:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		OAC 3745-27-09 for leachate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		OAC 3745-27-10 for ground water
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		OAC 3745-27-12 for explosive gas
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(C)	Health department and Ohio EPA access to facility

Remarks: _____

This checklist is not all inclusive of regulations applicable to landfill operations. Please refer to the attached notice of violation letter for a detailed explanation of any violations noted above.