Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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FROM/THROUGH:	
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FILE NAME: WOST PASKO CURS SI PROGRAM: SW	CASE #: 97-1679 COUNTY: PASCO
TYPE OF DOCUMENT:	
PASCO COMPLITÉ W- KNO PROJECT, O	UT SOME QUESTIONS RESURDING LAMBORTY
SUMMARY OF CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:	
PENALTY SUMMARY:	
EXTENT OF DEVIATION	POTENTIAL FOR HARM
PENALTY AMOUNT:	COST AND EXPENSES:
TOTAL DENALTRY AMOUNT.	



Department of Environmental Protection

Lawton Chiles Governor Southwest District 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, Florida 33619

November 19, 1998

Virginia B. Wetherell Secretary

Mr. John Gallagher County Administrator Pasco County Board of County Commissioners 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

Re:

Audit of Moon Lake Clean-Up In-Kind Settlement Project

Short Form Consent Order OGC Case # 97-1679

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

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Nevertheless, since there were no specifics in the approved proposal as to what County employee functions would qualify for use to justify the in-kind expenditure and the Department has no means to dispute that the individuals identified in the audit actually spent the time noted exclusively on this project, the Department is accepting the activities and expenses provided as meeting the terms of the Consent Order and is hereby closing the enforcement case on this matter. However, please be advised that in order to avoid such Department concerns in the future, in-kind project proposals will require much greater detail as to the specific activities of the project and the roles of personnel to be involved.

Sincerely,

Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D.

Director of District Management

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cc: Larry Morgan, OGC Robert Butera, SW Vincent Mannella, Pasco County



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In compliance with above-referenced Consent Order, the Moon Lake Clean-up was implemented on May 1 and 2, 1998. Pasco County was assessed alleged penalties in the amount of \$10,000.00; the County In-Kind Project was assessed at one and one-half of the alleged penalties.

Attached herewith please find an audit of the Moon Lake Clean-up prepared by Utilities Fiscal Services/Special Projects Department which indicates that the In-Kind Services for the Moon Clean-up amounted to \$15,019.27.

I trust you will bring this matter to a formal departmental conclusion.

Sincerely

Douglas S. Bramlett

Assistant County Administrator

(Utilities Services)

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Enclosure

cc: John J. Gallagher, County Administrator

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MOON LAKE CLEANUP COST SUMMARY

Tonnages Collected:

Exhibit "A" 2.42 Tons

Exhibit "B" 38.94 Tons

41.36 Tons @ \$47.49 = \$1,964.19

Advertising:

Exhibit "C" 1,577.92

Sheriff:

Exhibit "C" 722.78

Public Works:

Exhibit "D" 1,546.76

Utilities Personnel:

Exhibit "E" 9,207.62

Total: 15,019.27

EXHIBIT "A"

Great Florida Clean-Up (Sites)

		Size	Tons
Shady Hills (United Methodist Church Parking Lot Green Glen/ Shady Hills Road	BFI	30 Yard	1.41
Land O'Lakes (Suntrust Bank - Highway 54)	BFI	30 Yard	.16
Wesley Chapel (Suntrust Bank - Highway 54 & 581) No info available	Waste Management	6 Yard	-
Dade City (Wal Mart Shopping Center Highway 301) No garbage collected	Waste Management	30 Yard	~
Zephyrhills - Residents cleaned up on their own) (2 tickets)	alan ang ann ann ang		.15
Tires Collected	BFI		<u>.70</u>
	. •	TOTAL:	2.42

Per David West, Director, Keep Pasco Beautiful, Inc.

EXHIBIT "B"

Moon Lake Clean-Up

			TONS
5/1/98	Resource Recovery Scalehouse		8.43
5/2/98	Resource Recovery Scalehouse		27.46
5/1,2/98	West Pasco Class III		8.05
		TOTAL:	38.94

EXHIBIT "C"

Advertising

St. Petersburg Times \$1,088.08 Invoice # 01508005

The Tampa Tribune 218.40 Reference # 99063801

Sunbelt Newspapers 271.44 Reference # 10000000039604

TOTAL: \$1,577.92

Sheriff

Pasco County Sheriff's Office Traffic and Crowd Control

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EXHIBIT "D"

Public Works

Special Equipment Operators

	<u>Rate</u>	Reg.	OT	Reg. Wages	OT <u>Wages</u>	Total <u>Wages</u>
Disipio, Lenny Pickens, Shawn	10.12 8.32	20 8	20 8	202.40 66.56	303.60 99.84	506.00 166.40
Spakausky, Joe	11.18	8	8	89.44	134.16	223.60
						\$896.00
\$896.00 x 41% Offi	ice of Man	agement	and	Budget mark	up	367.36
				Total	Wages	\$1,263.36

<u>Vehicles</u>

			Vehicle Metale	6202.40
Loader	#20136	20 Hours	\$ 3.86	77.20
Tandem Dump Truck	#21679	20 Hours	\$10.31	\$206.20

Public Works Charge: \$1,546.76

EXHIBIT "E"

UTILITIES SERVICES BRANCH

Job		Hourly	Regular	O/T	Regular	O/T	Total	FICA	Retirement	Insurance	Total
Code	Name	Rate	Hours	Hours	Wages	Wages	Wages	7.65%	17.49%	.98585 hr.	Amount
7039	Sigmond, Robert	29.9748	40	0	1198.99	-	1198.99	91.72	209.7	39.43	1539.85
3012	Tambasco, Jackie	12.04	40	0	481.6	-	481.6	36.84	84.23	39.43	642.11
1498	Landi, Mike	16.4666	40	0	658.66	-	658.66	50.39	115.2	39.43	863.69
3004	Hummer, Carol	6.5	16	0	104	-	104	7.96	18.19	15.77	145.92
1500	Hainey, Mary	7.92	40	0	316.8	-	3 316.8	24.24	55.41	39.43	435.88
7011	Jancaitis, George	11.46	8	0	91.68	-	91.68	7.01	16.03	7.89	122.62
7011	Morgan, Fred	10.9	16	10	174.4	163.5	337.9	25.85	59.1	15.77	438.62
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RETURN RECEIPT

Mr. John Gallagher County Administrator Pasco County Board of County Commissioners 7530 Little Road

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Proposed Settlement by Short Form Consent Order in Case of COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OGC Case # 97-1679

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April 27, 1998

Mr. Robert J. Butera, P.E. III Division of Waste Management Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

Moon Lake Cleanup,

OGC Case # 97-1679

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Very truly yours,

Solid Waste Facility Manager

VM/drc

Enclosure

cc: Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services)

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ENFORCEMENT/COMPLIANCE COVER MEMO
TO: RICK GARRITY, DDM WILLIAM KUTASH, ENV. ADM. OGC, ATTN:
FROM/THROUGH:
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DATE: 318/98
FILE NAME: West Pasco Cis I LF case #: 97-1679 PROGRAM: SW COUNTY: PASCO
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SUMMARY OF CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:
PENALTY SUMMARY:
EXTENT OF DEVIATION POTENTIAL FOR HARM
PENALTY AMOUNT: $10,000 \times 1.5$ cost and expenses:
TOTAL PENALTY AMOUNT: APPROVED BY SECRETARY:
\$ 15,000



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Virginia B. Wetherell Secretary

March 19, 1998

Mr. John Gallagher, County Administrator Pasco County Board of County Commissioners 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, Florida 34654

Re:

Executed Short Form Consent Order

OGC Case #97-1679

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

Enclosed please find a copy of the executed Short Form Consent Order for the above-referenced case. As it states, completion of the in-kind project shall be performed by June 1, 1998 with the submittal of documentation of costs/expenses to follow 30 days after project completion. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Morgan at 813/744-6100, extension 385.

Sincerely,

William Kutash

Program Administrator

Waste Management Southwest District

cc: Larry Morgan, OGC Robert Butera



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Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D.

Director of District Management

Southwest District

I ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS SETTLEMENT OFFER.

For Pasco County:

Jønn Gallagher

County/Administrator

Pasco County

RDG/ Attachments

Copies furnished to:

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Department of Environmental Protection
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

For the DEP:

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State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection

ENTERED this 18 day

Tampa Florida

FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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March 11, 1998

Dr. Richard D. Garrity, Ph. D. Director of District Management Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Proposed Settlement by Short Form Consent Order in Case of OGC Case #97-1679

Dear Dr. Garrity:

Enclosed please find above-referenced Consent Order duly signed by our County Administrator. Please sign same and submit a copy to us.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely

Douglas S. Bramlett

Assistant County Administrator

(Utilities Services)

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Enclosure

cc:

John J. Gallagher, County Administrator

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FROM/THROUGH: M
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DATE: 2/10/97
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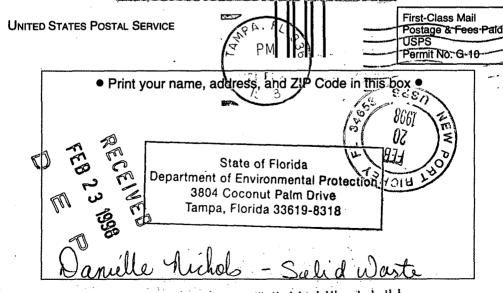
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September 9, 1997

Mr. Bob Butera, P.E.
Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
3804 Coconut Palm Drive
Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Warning Letter WL 96-0006SW51SWD

Dear Mr. Butera:

Discussions with your staff personnel today brought to my attention that penalties relate to 1.5 times the fine or \$10,000 fine; \$15,000 in-kind service. In view of the foregoing and Mr. John Gallagher's letter of September 2, 1997, the tipping fee on the estimated 15 loads of clean up material was not factored into the cost.

15 Loads at 10 Tons (estimated) at \$47.49 = \$7,123.50 Data covered in Mr. Gallagher's letter of $9/2/97 = \frac{10,050.00}{17,173.50}$

I would appreciate your additional consideration of this communication in the preparation of your draft consent agreement.

Sincerely,

Vincent Mannella, P.E.

Solid Waste Facility Manager

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cc: John J. Gallagher, County Administrator

Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services)

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

WEST PASCO GOVERNMENT CENTER, S-340

September 2, 1997

Mr. Bob Butera, P.E. Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Warning Letter WL 96-0006SW51SWD

Dear Mr. Butera:

In response to your rejection of our proposal on "in-kind services" expansion of the Citizen Drop-Off Area, would you consider the following:

- General cleanup of Moon Lake area in Pasco County.
- General collection area Moon Lake Park.
- Previous Moon Lake cleanup wages, loader and supervision cost, \$5,700.00.
- In lieu of hauler boxes and gratuitous hauler pulling of boxes, Pasco County will use their own boxes and truck for making the 40 cubic yard box pulls. Estimate 15 pulls at \$140.00/pull, \$2,100.00.
- Pasco employees on tipping floor segregating the mixed loads brought in from Moon Lake Park, 15 loads segregation at \$150.00/load, \$2,250.00.
- Total cost estimated at \$10,050.00.

We request that you accept this proposal for in-kind services and provide a draft modified consent agreement for review.

Sincerely,

County Administrator

JJG/VM/ltr/s090210

cc: Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services) Vincent Mannella, P.E., Solid Waste Facility Manager Ronald J. Walker, Solid Waste Superintendent



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June 27, 1997

Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D. Southwest District Florida Department of **Environmental Protection** 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

Director of District Management

RE: Warning Letter No. WL96-0006SW51-SWD :-Your Letter Dated June 18, 1997

Dear Dr. Garrity:

s policies in a warm transport (1997) In response to your referenced letter, which in summary rejected our proposal to expand our citizens dropoff area as in-kind services to offset penalties for the referenced warning notice, we object to your analysis that something identified as "necessary" is not acceptable for in-kind services.

I believe that all previous in-kind service agreements negotiated with your office have identified the following "needed" projects:

- Abandonment of the Shady Oaks Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP).
- 2. Abandonment of the Forest Hills WWTP.
- 3. Abandonment of the Timber Lake Estates WWTP.
- Abandonment of the Land O' Lakes Village Apartments WWTP scheduled for disconnect by 4. December 1, 1997.
- 5. Public Education Booth, 1997 Pasco County Fair.

In each of these five projects, the "need," was clearly detailed and accepted by your staff, and in each event, Pasco County had not established a capital line item-for funding. Our proposal to expand the citizens drop-off area is identical to the above-listed projects in that we are allocating funds not anticipated as part of our Capital Improvements Plan (CIP).

Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D. June 27, 1997

We request that you reconsider your position in this matter and accept our proposal as outlined in my previous letter to you dated May 16, 1997.

Sincerely,

John J. Øallagher County Administrator

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cc: Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services)

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RE: Proposed in-kind for Warning Letter #WL96-0006SW51SWD

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If the County would like the Department to consider a different in-kind proposal, it shall be submitted to the Department for approval within 20 days of receipt of this letter. For example, clean-up of a particular vacant property where illegal dumping has occurred would most likely be acceptable, given the expenditures incurred are adequate to cover the penalties. Please be advised that if the Department has not received an acceptable in-kind project proposal at that time we will be forced to initiate additional enforcement action.

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Robert Butera

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Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D. Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive

RE: West Pasco Class I Landfill - Warning Letter No. WL96-0006SW51-SWD

Dear Dr. Garrity:

Tampa, FL 33619-8318

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Construction 185,000

Total \$208,000

We request that you accept this proposal for in-kind services and provide a draft modified consent agreement for review.

Sincerely,

ohn J Gallagher

County Administrator JJG/DSB/r051605:1tr

cc: Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services)
Vincent Mannella, P.E., Solid Waste Facility Manager



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March 12, 1997

Mr. Vincent Mannella, P.E. Pasco County Utilities Services Utilities Bldg., S-213 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

Re: Amended Operations Plan

Waste Pasco Class I Landfill

Certification #PA-87-23, Pasco County

Dear Mr. Mannella:

The amended operations plan with revised date of January 14, 1997 was received with your January 28, 1997 cover letter on January 31, 1997. Upon review of the amended plan, staff found many deletions to the operations plan previously approved by the Department on June 5, 1995 as part of the Conditions of Clarification. These conditions reference Section 8.0 (Revised January 4, 1995) of the Engineering Report by Law Engineering as the approved plan. The version you submitted on January 28, 1997 amended a June 28, 1994 version that was revised on November 16 and December 21, 1994 and finally on January 4, 1995 prior to Department approval.

Attached is the entire Section 8.0, the approved operations plan for your use and revisions. As suggested in the Department's January 23, 1997 letter, Sections 8.2.6 and 8.2.7 may be revised and resubmitted as replacement pages. The Department requests future amendments be submitted with a list of the sections revised with a brief description for each revision.

On all future correspondence, please include Robert Butera on distribution. If you have any questions you may call me at (813) 744-6100, extension 382.

Sincerely,

Kim B. Ford, P.E. Solid Waste Section

Division of Waste Management

KBF/ab Attachment

cc: John Gallagher, Pasco County
Douglas Bramlett, Pasco Count

Douglas Bramlett, Pasco County, w/attachment Robert Butera, P.E., Solid Waste, FDEP Tampa

Steve Morgan, FDEP Tampa

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January 29, 1997

Mr. Steve Morgan
Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
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Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: West Pasco Class I Landfill WL96-00065W515WD -Your Letter of January 14, 1997

Dear Mr. Morgan:

This letter contains a brief summary of our telephone conversation on January 16, 1997, regarding three items that apparently were not clearly defined in my letter of January 19, 1997. In our telephone conversation, I believed these matters were resolved as follows:

- 1. The apparent problem lies in two applications of base RRP ash in SW-1. The first was approved prior to placing for sound engineering reasons. The second application of base RRP ash, the extension was placed without FDEP prior approval. On this, we agree.
 - a. Removal of MSW Tonnage and schedule sent to the Department covering requested data on January 19, 1997. Department has not received the letter as of this date.
 - b. Addendum to operations plan typed and in staff review and will be sent under separate cover the week of January 27, 1997.
- 2. Cover of inventoried MSW in SW-1 will be by tire chips daily, and stockpile of tire chips will be on hand in SW-1 at all times. Currently, there are 166 tons of tire chips on hand in SW-1. Pasco County has stockpiled an additional 1,200 plus tons of tire chips in inventory.
- 3. Letter of proposal on in-kind project is in preparation by higher authority and will be forthcoming shortly.

I believe this covers our discussions rather briefly but completely. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Vincent Mannella, P.E.

Solid Waste Facility Manager

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cc: Bob Butera, P.E., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 3804 Coconut Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-8318

Kim Ford, P.E., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 3804 Coconut Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-8318

Ms. Nichols, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 3804 Coconut Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-8318

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January 21, 1997

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RE: West Pasco Class I Landfill; No. WL96-0006 SW51SWD - Pasco County

Dear Dr. Garrity:

This letter is written in response to the referenced warning letter and my meeting with your staff on December 6, 1996, relative to several alleged noncompliance issues which resulted from Hurricane Josephine.

During the time between October 1, 1996, and our meeting with your staff, Pasco County and Ogden Martin had scheduled our five-year, three-week outages for our Resource Récovery Facility. We had reduced the pit capacity over the summer months to ensure that minimal bypassing of solid waste to Cell SW-1 would occur. During this same period of time, Hurricane Josephine caused extensive damage to our coastal communities, which resulted in approximately 8,000 tons of solid waste which were collected at curbside by our public works crews.

As a result of this inforeseen event, additional solid waste was bypassed to Cell SW-1. To properly manage this enormous volume of waste, the lay-down area of clean ash was expanded in the bottom of SW-1 to ensure that the double liner in SW-1 would not be damaged. We also experienced a short time period of inadequate cover due to the storm event tonnage.

Your staff has now taken a very hard line and approach to this minor problem which, by the way, did not cause any environmental problems whatsoever relative to odors, birds, or other environmental matters. In direct conflict with the new "user-friendly agency" policy, your staff now wants to impose a \$10,000.00 penalty for this storm event problem which was corrected within a six-week period. Your staff admitted in our meeting that other counties experienced similar problems but no enforcement action was taken because the other counties called your office to advise of their problems. If the lack of telephone notices results in a \$10,000.00 penalty, I must seriously question the department's policies and matrix!

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Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D. January 21, 1997

In summary, Pasco County managed this storm event problem in a very professional and environmentally safe manner which resulted in absolutely NO environmental problems. Pasco County will continue to operate our solid waste management systems as in the past, and I am positive that, after your review of this matter, you will continue to have 100 percent confidence in our ability to comply with all solid waste rules and regulations.

Sincerely,

John J. Gallagher County Administrator

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cc: Douglas S. Bramlett, Assistant County Administrator (Utilities Services)

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Virginia B. Wetherell Secretary

Tuesday, January 14, 1997

Mr. John Gallagher, County Administrator Pasco County 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

RE:

West Pasco Class I Landfill #WL96-0006SW51SWD

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

The Department has received Mr. Mannella's recent letter to Mr. Butera dated January 8, 1997. In response to that letter, as well as Mr. Mannella's December 18, 1996 response to the Department's December 11, 1996 meeting summary please note the following:

- 1) The fourth bullet in the Jan. 8 letter states: There is no disposal of ash and MSW in SW-1. The Department has given permission for an ash base in the cell to support bypassing of MSW. Bypassing is in compliance with the operating plan by Law and approved by the Department. The Department is very disappointed that there continues to be a misunderstanding regarding this matter. For the Department's purposes, the stockpiling/by-passing activity that goes on in SW-1 is disposal of Class I waste and must be treated as such. (Please refer to our April 18, 1995 letter to Mr. Mannella.) The Department did not give the County permission to place an ash base in SW-1 and in fact, that is one of the violations that was cited in the Warning Letter. The Department did ask the County to leave the existing ash base in place due to concerns for damaging the liner. Finally, there is reference to bypassing of waste in the operating plan by Law; however, there is no mention of removal of this waste from SW-1. It's the Department's impression that the ash base is actually to aid removal efforts.
- 2) Because the County did not explicitly state so in either of the responses, please be aware that initial cover at the SW-1 cell shall be in accordance with 62-701.500(7)(e) and 62-701.200(40) which specify frequency, amount and quality.
- 3) To date the Department has not received a proposal for an in-kind project. Should the Department not receive a proposal by the end of this week, we will proceed with drafting of documents to reflect a monetary payment settlement.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 813/744-6100, extension 385.

Sincerely

Steven G. Morgan

Compliance / Enforcement Supervisor

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cc: Vince Mannella Robert Butera Kim Ford



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January 8, 1997

Mr. Robert Butera, P.E.Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Summary of Meeting of December 6, 1996 Response to Letter Dated December 11, 1996

Dear Mr. Butera:

Pursuant to Ms. Nichols letter to Mr. John Gallagher of December 11, 1996, the following response is respectfully submitted.

- Statements understood and will be adhered to.
- Agreed.
- Please review letter to Mr. Kim Ford, P.E. of December 17, 1996 for proposed remedial action.
- There is no disposal of ash and MSW in SW-1. The Department has given-permission for an ash base in the cell to support bypassing of MSW. Bypassing is in compliance with the operating plan by Law and approved by the Department.
- Financial assurance has been submitted, reviewed, commented on and resubmitted.

Mr. Robert Butera, P.E. January 8, 1997 Page 2 of 2

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Pasco County will maintain a stockpile of tree chips in SW-1 of 100 tons and at all times which will assure adequate cover of MSW. Please refer to my letter of December 17, 1996 regarding explanation of LCS.

I shall await for your response to my recommended solutions.

Sincerely.

incent Mannella, P.E.

Solid Waste Facility Manager

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cc: John J. Gallagher, County Administrator

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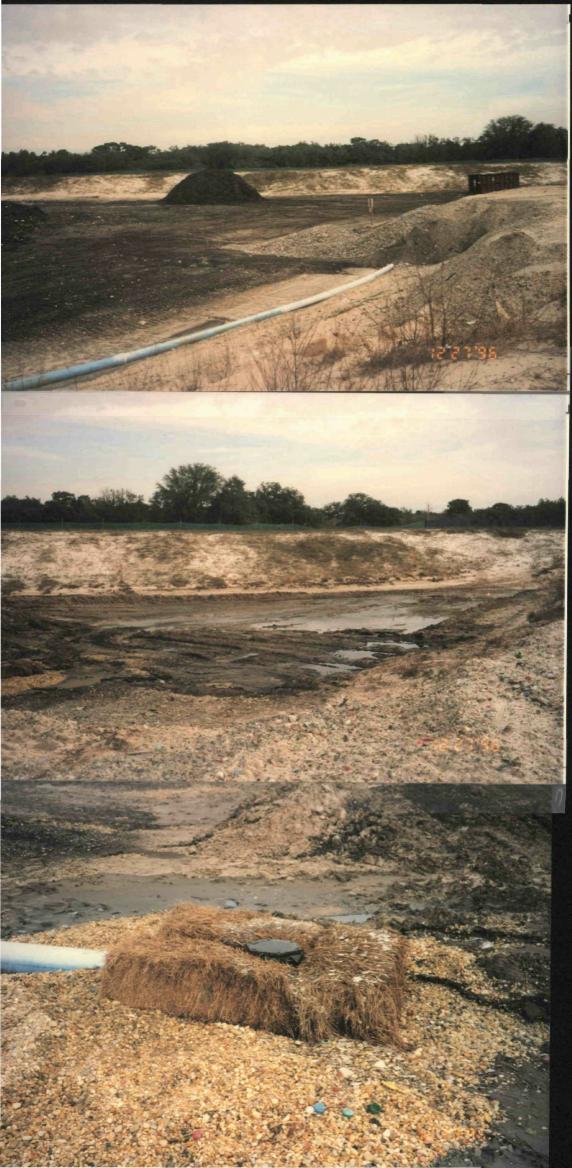
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December 18, 1996

Mr. Robert Butera, P.E. Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

Department of Environmental Protection SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

RE: FDEP Letter of December 11, 1996, WL96-00065W51SWD

Dear Mr. Butera:

In compliance with Ms. Nichols, Environmental Specialist Compliance/Enforcement, letter of December 11, 1996, the following is submitted for your consideration:

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Pasco County has requested and received permission from the Department to store an adequate supply of tire chips in SW-1 to provide for future inventory removal. Be advised, I have placed in SW-1 166.34 tons of tire chips to cover the working face when inventory removal starts.

How, specifically, the assessment of the leachate control system will take place and when.

Response:

Please refer to my letter to Kim Ford, P.E., dated December 17, 1996, regarding investigation of the problem, header pipe visual inspection via TV camera and high-pressure water blowout, excavation of header, and sand (filter media) determination.

It was agreed by Department personnel to prepare sketch and letter of proposed remediation, submitting same to the Department for review and hold all further remediation work until plan is approved by the Department.

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Inquiry: Response to Mr. Ford, P.E., letter of December 5, 1996.

Response: Mr. Ford, at a Leachate Management Facility Construction Coordination meeting, was advised verbally that I was collecting bids from waste haulers and Pasco County's Road and Bridge Department to determine costs for inventory removal. I assured Mr. Ford a full report on inventory removal would be forthcoming, along with a revised operations plan, early in 1997. I was advised this was acceptable.

Sincerely,

Vincent Mannella, P.E

Solid Waste Facility Manager

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cc: Kim Ford, P.E., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 3804 Coconut Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-8318

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Department of Environmental Protection

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

December 17, 1996

Mr. Kim Ford, P.E. Florida Department of Environmental Protection 3804 Coconut Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Pasco County Class I Landfill SW-1

Dear Mr. Ford:

Pursuant to our meeting yesterday, the following short summary is sent for your records and comment. The construction coordination meeting and field inspection that followed resulted in the conclusion, all matters, construction and design, were in compliance. It appears that construction completion will not be December 31, 1996, but, hopefully, January 31, 1997. I was requested to keep you advised of any completion date changes. Further, we agreed, upon chrom tank certification and all valves being closed to the leachate management plant, Pasco County could receive permission to start filling the 2,000,000-gallon tank. The leachate storage in the tank prior to the plant's completion would help remediate leachate conditions in SW-1 and permit complete remediation in the dry.

Remediation, as per discussion, is outlined below:

Remediation Work on SW-1

Item: Pasco will disconnect the A-l leachate discharge outlet pipe in

SW-1.

Item: Pasco will hay bale and sand support hay bales as shown on the

attached sketch.

Item: The sand (filter media) in the southeast corner of SW-1 has been

reduced in filter efficiency by material carried in either the $ash\,$

base or the tire chips.

Item: Pasco County has uncovered the header pipe in the southeast corner

of SW-1 and found the filter cloth clean and dry.

Item: Pasco County has, via high-pressure water, found the header clean for 600 feet east of the leachate holding tank/pumping station.

Item: In uncovering the header, it was found that the filter media (sand) had been compromised to approximately 50 percent of its depth, or approximately 1.0 feet.

Resolution

Item: Get southeast corner dry as practical by disconnection of A-1 leachate discharge pipe.

Item: Hay bales backed with sand will limit leachate discharge directly above the header (as shown on sketch), resulting in a relatively dry southeast corner.

Item: Pasco County will start remediation over the distressed area by removing inoperative filter media and immediately replacing with sand with permeability greater than 1×10^{-3} . Pasco County will use the sand previously approved by the Department for A-2 filter media.

Item: This process will continue until all inoperative filter media has been removed and replaced.

Item: Pasco County will remove hay bales and sand backing placed around header pipe as shown on sketch after remediation is completed.

Item: Pasco County will place a hay bale silt barrier backed by sand to stop and retard surface runoff from both ash and tire chips.

Item: Pasco County will clean silt screen as required.

I believe this covers all the data discussed on site. Pasco County will not start this work until permission is received from the Department.

I will meet with the Department to discuss this matter further if the Department believes additional discussion is required. Please call me direct at 861-3053 or 845-0119 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

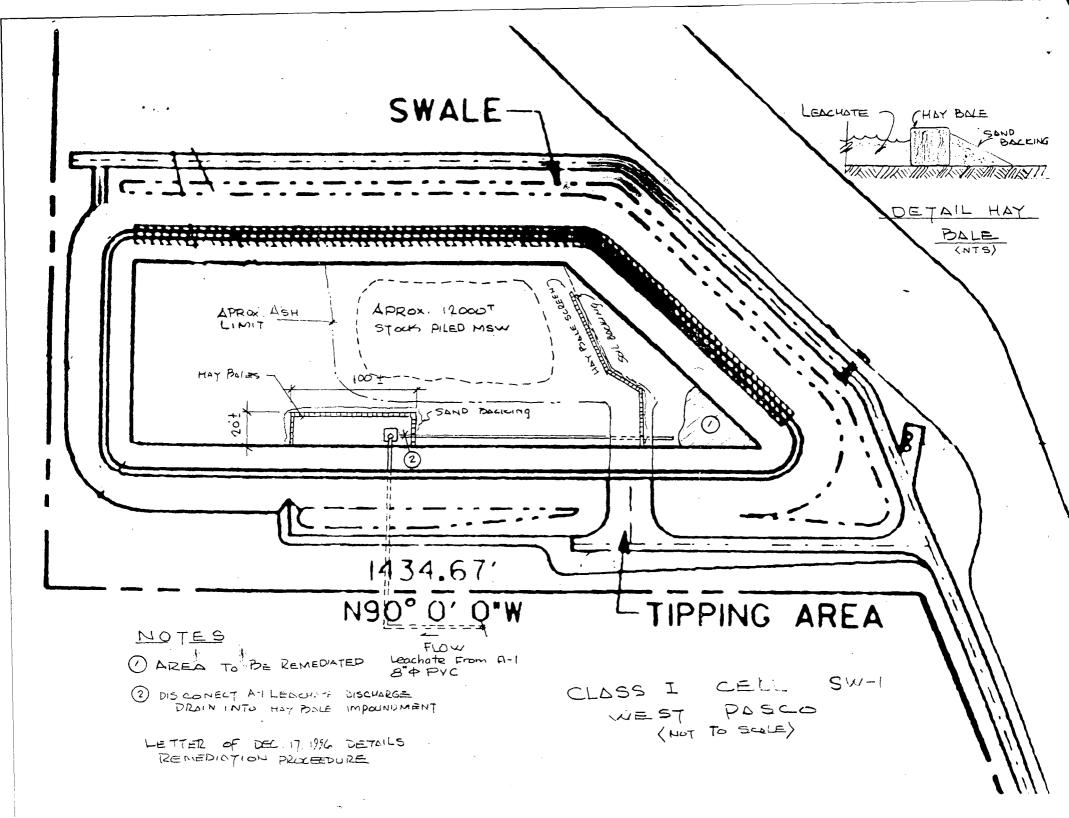
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December 11, 1996

Mr. John Gallagher County Administrator, Pasco County 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, Florida 34654

RE:

Summary of meeting on December 6, 1996 #WL96-0006SW51SWD, Pasco County

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

The purpose of this letter is to summarize the meeting held between the Department and the County regarding violations noted on an October 15, 1996 inspection of the West Pasco Class I Landfill.

- The County did not dispute the inadequacy of initial cover on the date of the inspection. It was also pointed out that the approved operations plan for the facility states that a week's worth of cover material will be stockpiled near the working face (which was not present). Additionally, use of an alternative cover (such as a mixture of mulched yard trash and soil) must be approved by the Department <u>prior</u> to use at the facility.
- The County was not penalized for litter control. While the litter observed was a considerable distance from the active face, it was within the lined cell and litter fencing. The County asserted that it was picked up by 5:30 P.M. that day.
- Ponding of leachate in the SE corner of Cell SW-1 was discussed. The leachate control system shall
 be maintained as designed to ensure no more than one foot of head over the liner. The County agreed
 to pump the leachate down, inspect the system and make any necessary changes to ensure its
 effectiveness (for example adjusting the float levels).
- The next issue was the disposal of MSW ash in SW-1. The approved operating plan specifically states that there will be no co-disposal of solid waste and MSW ash. The County has placed a layer of ash as a base in the SW-1 Cell (which is designated for solid waste). The County was again instructed not to dispose of ash in that cell. Additionally it was clarified that all operations must be in accordance with the engineering report and supporting documents prepared by Law Environmental dated October 1994 (and subsequent revisions) as well as the Conditions of Certification PA 87-23. If the County wishes to deviate from the approved operating plan, this modification must be proposed to and approved by the Department prior to implementation.
- Finally financial assurance for the facility has not been resolved. The County indicated that they would be submitting information shortly.
- *Note: The County requested that all future compliance/enforcement correspondence be addressed to Mr. Gallagher.

The Department requests a written response to this letter by January 6, 1997. You are asked to address 1) how the County will ensure adequate cover at all times in the future and 2) how, specifically, the assessment of the LCS will take place and when, in your written response.

Additionally, as was discussed at the meeting (and also requested in a December 5, 1996 letter from Mr. Ford), the Department would like Pasco County to submit specific procedures for the placement and removal of by-passed waste in Cell SW-1 including intentions (or not) to use ash as a base for this activity. Upon approval by the Department, this supplement shall be incorporated into the operations plan (Section 8 of the above-referenced Engineering Report). You are asked to submit this information within 40 days of receipt of this letter. Should the County feel more time is needed, please contact Danielle Nichols ASAP to mutually agree upon a schedule for submittal.

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Finally, after reconsideration of all relevant factors, the Department has determined a penalty in the amount of \$10,000 is appropriate in settlement of the case. If the County would like to perform an inkind project in lieu of monetary penalties, a proposal for the project should be submitted for approval within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Morgan or Danielle Nichols at \$13/744-6100, extensions 385 or 375 respectively.

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Sincerely.

Danielle Nichols
Environmental Specialist
Compliance / Enforcement

Danielle Nichols

cc: Douglas Bramlett
Vincent Mannella, P.E.
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December 5, 1996

Mr. Vince Mannella, P.E. Solid Waste Management Pasco County Public Works Utilities Bldg., S-205 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

Re: MSW Mining (Stockpiling) and Daily Cover

West Pasco Class I Landfill

Case No.: PA87-23, Pasco County

Dear Mr. Mannella:

In response to your October 7, 1996 letter, the following information is requested for clarification:

- 1. A detailed description for placement, covering and removal of MSW from SW-1 including a list of all equipment and methods for loading and hauling (the Department suggests "stockpiling" rather than mining since the waste will be removed within 12 months and has not substantially decomposed, nor received intermediate or final cover);
- 2. An explanation and supporting calculations to demonstrate that all stockpiled MSW and shredded tires will be removed and burned in the W-T-E facility within 12 months of the date placed in SW-1 as proposed (Has any MSW been stockpiled in SW-1 for longer than 12 months? When was the earliest date MSW was received in SW-1 that has not been removed?); and
- 3. A detailed description for cover made of yard trash and soil mixed including yard trash maximum particle size and percent passing 3/4 inch screen, and method of mixing the yard trash with soil.

Please submit this information as a supplement to the current operation plan, <u>Section 8.0</u> of the Engineering Report by Law Engineering received on January 17, 1995.

Mr. Vince Mannella, P.E. Solid Waste Management

December 5, 1996 Page Two

On all future correspondence, please include Robert Butera on distribution. If you have any questions, you may call me at (813) 744-6100, extension 382.

Sincerely,

Kim B. Ford, P.E. Solid Waste Section

Division of Waste Management

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cc: Douglas Bramlett, Pasco County

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November 15, 1996

Richard Garrity, Ph.D.
Director of District Management
Southwest District
Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
3804 Coconut Palm Drive
Tampa, FL 33619-8318

RE: Warning Letter No. WL96-0066 SW5/SWD

Pasco County PA-87-23

Dear Dr. Garrity:

I herewith acknowledge receipt of your warning letter referenced above dated November 7, 1996. I am pleased to respond and appreciate your suggestion to seek our (Pasco County's) cooperation in the resolution of this matter. May I assure you we will cooperate for a resolution in compliance with your request.

 Alleged Violation of FAC Rule 62-701.500(7)(e) - Failure to provide adequate initial cover

Response: FAC 62-701.500(7)(e) reads:

"Initial cover shall be applied and maintained at landfills in order to minimize any adverse environmental, safety, or health effects such as those resulting from birds, unauthorized wastes, blowing litter, odors, disease vectors, or fires. The minimum frequency for applying cover is:

1. For Class I and II landfills, at the end of each working day. However, for those areas where solid waste will be deposited on the working face within 18 hours, initial cover may consist of a temporary cover, such as a tarpaulin, which may be removed prior to deposition of additional waste; and"

Pasco County respectfully disagrees a violation of FAC 62-701.500(7)(e) exists. Initial cover was applied and maintained; further, there were NO ADVERSE environmental, safety, or health effects resulting therefrom. Birds, there were and are none;

unauthorized wastes, there are none; blowing litter, please refer to FAC 62-701.500(7)(e). All litter was confined to the working cell, restrained by a wind screen erected by Pasco County. NO litter was outside of the wind screen. Further, the wind screen area is policed and picked up each day between 1600 hours and 1730 hours. There were and are no offensive odors. Nor are there, to my knowledge, any disease vectors or fires. Daily cover was applied consisting of mulched yard clippings and/or tire chips.

Pasco County respectfully asserts that there is no violation of FAC 62-701.500(7)(e) and would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

II. Alleged Violation of Rule FAC 62-701.330(4)(e)4 - Source and type of cover material

Response: FAC 62-701.330(4)(e)4 reads:

- "(e) A report on the:
 - 4. Source and type of cover material."

The FAC regulations noted in 62-701.330(4)(e)4 do not state and fail to identify any requirement for adequate quantity of cover material. The regulation is clear, and it is also clear there is no violation of FAC 62-701.330(4)(e)4. A report on the source and type of material was filed with the department in November 1987 with the application to the Governor and Cabinet, and an approval was given via the power plant siting procedure.

It is respectfully asserted that there is no violation of FAC 62-701.330(4)(e)4, and Pasco County would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

III. Alleged Violation of FAC 62-701.500(7)(i)

Response: FAC 62-701.500(7)(i) reads:

"A litter policing operation shall be employed to keep litter from leaving the working area of the landfill. Litter outside the working area shall be picked up within 24 hours. Some litter may be exposed through the initial cover if it is in traffic areas and away from public view."

Please be advised Pasco County is in compliance with Rule FAC 62-701.500(7)(i) regarding a litter policing operation. The rule does not specify litter within the working area but only of litter leaving the working area. The SW-1 cell has erected all around its periphery a wind screen which has collected all of the windblown trash of the day's 1,000± tons delivered to SW-1. In full compliance with FAC 62-701.500(7)(i), a police litter patrol is daily in operation from 1600 hours to 1730 hours in compliance with the rule. The litter observed was a one-day's blow from 1,000 tons of MSW delivered on a very windy day and was picked up by 1730 hours that day.

It is respectfully asserted that there is no violation of FAC 62-701.500(7)(i), and Pasco County would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

IV. Alleged Violation of Rule FAC 62-701.500(8)(b) - Failure to maintain the leachate collection and removal system as designed

Response: FAC 62-701.500(8)(b) reads:

"The landfill operator is responsible for the operation of the leachate collection and removal system and for maintaining the system as designed for the design period. Leachate shall be collected and treated as necessary to meet surface and ground water quality standards of Chapter 62-3 and 62-302, F.A.C. If the leachate is classified as a hazardous waste, it shall be managed in accordance with Rule 62-730, F.A.C."

Pasco County assumes full responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the leachate collection and removal system, and the system has been maintained as designed. The system works and operates as designed. The leachate ponding at the southeast corner of the cell is the low elevation in the cell. The lines feed to the wet well from the lowest elevation point in the cell and are open and free flowing. As the leachate drains via gravity to the wet well, I have observed a 90-percent full, flowing influent pipe. As the water rises in the wet well, the pressure head increases and reduces the elevation head on the gravity line, restricting volume. The system has operated this way since the department's approval of the system in 1991.

This system operates per approved department design and has been and is properly maintained.

It is respectfully asserted that there is \underline{NO} violation of FAC 62-701.500(8)(b), and Pasco County would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

V. Alleged Violation of FAC 62-701.500(2)(f) - Landfill be operated in accordance with the approved operating plan

Response: FAC 62-701.500(2)(f) reads:

"Method and sequence of filling waste;"

Pasco County is confused regarding this alleged violation of operations plan. Pasco County submitted to the department in November 1987 an operations plan that was approved by the department. Pasco County maintains all other significant parts of FAC 62-701.500(2) are in compliance. Further, we question the FAC 62-701.500(2)(f) alleged violation; further clarification is needed for a proper response. Pasco County believes the method and sequence of the filling of MSW in SW-1 was proper and in compliance with the approved operations plan.

It is respectfully asserted that there is \underline{NO} violation of FAC 62-701.500(2)(f), and Pasco County would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

VI. Alleged Violation of Florida Statute 403.708(1)(a) - Store or dispose of solid waste in a manner approved by the department

Response: Florida Statute 403.708(1)(a) reads:

"403.708 Prohibition; penalty.--

- (1) No person shall:
 - (a) Place or deposit any solid waste in or on the land or waters located within the state except in a manner approved by the department and consistent with applicable approved programs of counties or municipalities. However, nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit the disposal of solid waste without a permit as provided in s. 403.707(2)."

Pasco County objects to this alleged violation and firmly insists that Cell SW-1 is an approved area and has the department's approved permit to place MSW in Cell SW-1 as inventory for future withdrawal. Please refer to the FDEP'S letter of May 1, 1995, expressing no objection to the storage and removal of MSW from SW-1. The department, by certified mail on June 15, 1995, advised that the ash base in SW-1 "should not be removed", that the liner protection was of significant importance, and the ash base was an acceptable solution.

Pasco County respectfully asserts that there is no violation of Florida Statute 403.708 and would appreciate the department's reconsideration of the alleged violation.

We thank you for the opportunity to respond and are in agreement for a meeting to discuss these matters further. I am respectfully suggesting the first week in December 1996, permitting me to have senior staff clear their calendars.

Please be assured of Pasco County's "cooperation in completing the investigation and resolution of this matter".

Sincerely

Douglas S. Bramlett

Assistant County Administrator

(Utilities Services)

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cc: John J. Gallagher, County Administrator

Bernard Telatovich, Esquire

Vincent Mannella, P.E., Acting Util. Construction and Contract Mgmt. Director

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Mr. John Gallagher County Administrator, Pasco County 7530 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

WARNING LETTER #WL96-0006SW51SWD

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RE:

West Pasco Class I Landfill, Cell SW-1

PA87-23, Pasco County

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of possible violations of law for which you may be responsible, and to seek your cooperation in resolving the matter. A field inspection conducted on October 15, 1996 of the West Pasco Class I Landfill indicates that violations of Florida Statutes and Rules may exist at the above-referenced facility. Department of Environmental Protection personnel observed the following at the facility:

- 1. A significant quantity (approximately a week's worth) of Class I waste was observed without *any* initial cover. Attempts to cover a small portion of this waste were apparent, however not adequate, and were with mulched yard trash which has not been approved for cover at this facility to date.
- 2. Extensive litter, mostly blown plastic bags, was observed in SW-1.
- 3. An area of ponded leachate was observed in SW-1.
- On-going disposal of municipal solid waste combustor ash in SW-1 was observed, contrary to the facility's approved operating plan and notification by the Department to discontinue such practice on the April 7, 1996 inspection report.

It is a violation of Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) Rule 62-701.500 (7)(e) to fail to provide adequate initial cover. It is a violation of F.A.C. Rule 62-701.330(4)(e)4 to fail to maintain an adequate quantity of acceptable cover material as stated in the facility permit application. Failure to control litter is a violation of F.A.C. Rule 62-701.500(7)(i). It is a violation of F.A.C. Rule 62-701.500(8)(b) to fail to maintain the leachate collection and removal system as designed. F.A.C. Rule 62-701.500(2)(f) requires that the landfill

be operated in accordance with the approved operating plan. It is a violation of Section 403.708(1)(a), Florida Statutes (F.S.) to store or dispose of solid waste except in a manner approved by the Department. Failure to comply with Department rules or a permit issued by the Department pursuant to its lawful authority is a violation of Section 403.161(1)(b), F.S.

You are advised that any activity at your facility that may be contributing to violations of the above described statutes and rules should cease immediately. The operation of a facility in violation of state statutes or rules may result in liability for damages and restoration, and the judicial imposition of civil penalties up to \$10,000 per violation per day pursuant to Sections 403.141 and 403.161, Florida Statutes. It is the Department's policy to typically initiate enforcement action and seek civil penalties for the above described violations. The decision to initiate enforcement action is made and penalties calculated based on: good faith efforts (or lack there of) to comply with Department rules, the severity of violations, the length of time the violation continues, and the responsiveness or non-responsiveness of the Respondent in correction of the violation. The penalty amount for conditions such as those outlined above is \$12,500.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that this Warning Letter is part of an agency investigation, preliminary to agency action in accordance with Section 120.57(4), Florida Statutes. The purpose of this letter is to advise you of potential violations and to set up a meeting to discuss possible resolutions to any potential violations that may have occurred for which you may be responsible. Please contact Danielle Nichols within 5 days of receipt of this letter at 813/744-6100, ext. 375 to arrange for a convenient time. We look forward to your cooperation in completing the investigation and resolution of this matter.

Singerely,

Richard D. Garrity, Ph.D.

Director of District Management

Southwest District

cc: Douglas Bramlett, Pasco County
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