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August 27, 2019

Mr. Jim Merrifield
Tire Disposal Services
Post Office Box 550
Cottondale, Florida 32431

Re: Tire Disposal Services – Waste Tire Processing Facility
WACS ID No.: 6475
Jackson County

Dear Mr. Merrifield:

Department personnel conducted a solid waste compliance inspection of the above-referenced facility on August 15, 2019. Based on the information collected during the inspection, the facility was determined to be in compliance with the Department's rules and regulations. A copy of the inspection report is attached for your records.

The Department appreciates your efforts to maintain this facility in compliance with state and federal rules. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mike Stephen at (850) 595-0653 or by e-mail at Mike.Stephen@dep.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dawn Templin".

Dawn Templin, P.E.
Solid Waste Section

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Enclosure: Inspection Report



**Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
Inspection Checklist**

FACILITY INFORMATION:

Facility Name: TIRE DISPOSAL SERVICE
On-Site Inspection Start Date: 08/15/2019
On-Site Inspection End Date: 08/15/2019
WACS No.: 6475
Facility Street Address: 3053 BARNES LN
City: COTTONDALE
County Name: JACKSON
Zip: 32431

INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS:

(Include ALL Landfill and Department Personnel with Corresponding Titles)

Principal Inspector: Dawn Templin, Professional Engineer III

Other Participants: Mike Stephen, Environmental Consultant; Monica Hardin, Environmental Specialist; Jim Merrifield, Owner

INSPECTION TYPE:

Routine Operation Inspection for WPF - Waste Tire Processing Facility

Routine Operation Inspection for Other - Waste Tire Collector

ATTACHMENTS TO THE INSPECTION CHECKLIST:

This Cover Page to the Inspection Checklist may include any or all of the following attachments as appropriate.

Note: Checklist items with shaded boxes are for informational purposes only.

9.0 - SECTION 9.0 - WASTE TIRE FACILITIES

14.0 - SECTION 14.0 - WASTE TIRE COLLECTORS

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9.0 - SECTION 9.0 - WASTE TIRE FACILITIES**Requirements:**

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Item No.	SOLID WASTE PROHIBITIONS (unless "grandfathered" in, see 62-701.300(18))	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.1.1	Unauthorized storage, processing, or disposal of solid waste except as authorized at a permitted solid waste management facility or other exempt facility? 62-701.300(1)(a)	✓			
9.1.2	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 500 feet of a potable water well? 62-701.300(2)(b)	✓			
9.2	Unauthorized storage or disposal of yard trash prohibited within the minimum setbacks of (Check any that are Not OK) 62-701.300(12) <input type="checkbox"/> 100 feet from potable water wells (except on-site)? <input type="checkbox"/> 50 feet from water bodies?	✓			
9.3	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited in any natural or artificial body of water including ground water and wetlands? (Does not apply to standing water after a storm event) 62-701.300(2)(d)	✓			
9.4	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 200 feet of any natural or artificial body of water, including wetlands without permanent leachate controls, except impoundments or conveyances which are part of an on-site, permitted stormwater management system or on-site water bodies with no off-site discharge? 62-701.300(2)(e)	✓			
9.5	Unauthorized open burning of solid waste prohibited except in accordance with Department requirements? 62-701.300(3)	✓			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR STORAGE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.6	If the facility accepts tires from the public, is a sign posted at the facility entrance stating operating hours, cost of disposal and site rules? 62-711.540(1)(a)				✓
9.7	Are operations involving the use of open flames conducted no closer than 25 feet of a waste tire pile? 62-711.540(1)(b)	✓			
9.8	If the facility accepts tires from the public, is an attendant always present on site when the site is open for business? 62-711.540(1)(c)				✓
9.9	Are fire protection services assured through notification to local fire protection authorities? 62-711.540(1)(d)	✓			
9.10	Is an annual fire safety survey conducted? 62-711.540(1)(d)	✓			
9.11	Is a copy of the annual fire safety report made part of the next quarterly report? 62-711.540(1)(d)	✓			
9.12	Does the facility have an Emergency Preparedness Manual (EPM) on-site? 62-711.540(1)(e)	✓			
9.13	Does the EPM contain the following information? (Check all that are Not OK) <input type="checkbox"/> Contact names and numbers 62-711.540(1)(e)1 <input type="checkbox"/> List of emergency response equipment and locations on-site 62-711.540(1)(e)2 <input type="checkbox"/> Procedures to be followed in the event of a fire 62-711.540(1)(e)3	✓			
9.14	Is the operator at the facility maintaining records of the quantity of waste tires received at the site, stored at the site, and shipped from the site? 62-711.540(1)(g) and 62-711.400(5)	✓			
9.15	If the operator of the site is not the owner of the property, has written authorization been obtained from the property owner to operate the facility? 62-711.540(1)(h)				✓
9.16	Is adequate communications equipment available at the site? 62-711.540(1)(i)	✓			
9.17	Is the owner or operator providing for control of mosquitoes and rodents so as to protect the public health and welfare? 62-711.540(1)(j)	✓			

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		✓			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - STORAGE INDOORS	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.18	Are waste tire piles more than 50 feet in width? 62-711.540(2)(a)				✓
9.19	Are waste tire piles along a wall more than 25 feet in width? 62-711.540(2)(a)				✓
9.20	Are widths of main aisles between piles less than 8 feet? 62-711.540(2)(b)				✓
9.21	Is there less than 3 feet of clearance between the top of storage to sprinkler detectors or roof structures? 62-711.540(2)(c)				✓
9.22	Is there less than 3 feet of clearance between waste tire piles and unit heaters, etc.? 62-711.540(2)(d)				✓
9.23	If waste tires are stored up to 15 feet high, do walls between adjacent warehouse areas and between manufacturing and warehouse areas have at least a four-hour fire rating? 62-711.540(2)(e)				✓
9.24	If waste tires are stored over 15 feet high, do walls between manufacturing and warehouse areas have a fire rating of not less than six hours and do steel columns have one-hour fireproofing? If the top of storage exceeds 20 feet in height, do columns and their connections with other structural members have two-hour fireproofing? 62-711.540(2)(f)				✓
9.25	Is the access controlled through the use of doors, fences, gates, natural barriers or other means? 62-711.540(2)(h)				✓
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - STORAGE OUTDOORS	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.26	Is the waste tire site operated within 200 feet from a body of water? 62-711.540(3)(a)	✓			
9.27	Does the waste tire pile have a width less than 50 feet? 62-711.540(3)(b)	✓			
9.28	Does the waste tire pile have an area less than 10,000 sq. ft? 62-711.540(3)(b)	✓			
9.29	Does the waste tire pile have a height less than 15 feet? 62-711.540(3)(b)	✓			
9.30	Is there a 50 feet wide fire lane around the perimeter of the waste tire pile? 62-711.540(3)(c)	✓			
9.31	Is there unobstructed access to the fire lane? 62-711.540(3)(c)	✓			
9.32	Is the access controlled through the use of doors, fences, gates, natural barriers or other means? 62-711.540(3)(d)	✓			
9.33	Is the site kept free of grass, underbrush, and other potentially flammable vegetation? 62-711.540(3)(f)	✓			
9.34	Is the site bermed or given other adequate protection to prevent liquid runoff from entering water bodies? 62-711.540(3)(e)	✓			
9.35	Are residuals contained on-site and disposed of in a permitted solid waste management facility or properly recycled? 62-711.540(5)	✓			
9.36	Does the waste tire site qualify for the exceptions to the technical and operational standards as allowed by rule? 62-711.540(6)	✓			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - COLLECTION CENTER	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.37	Are no more than 1,500 tires at the collection center at any one time? 62-711.550(1)(a)				✓
9.38	Are all waste tires, which are not used tires, removed from site yearly for recycling, processing, or disposal? 62-711.550(1)(b)				✓

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14.0 - SECTION 14.0 - WASTE TIRE COLLECTORS

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14.6	Unauthorized open burning of solid waste prohibited except in accordance with Department requirements? 62-701.300(3)	✓			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE COLLECTOR OPERATION	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
14.7	Is the waste tire collector registration current? 62-711.520(3)	✓			
14.8	On each vehicle used to transport tires, is the waste tire collector decal affixed to the outside of the driver's front door? 62-711.520(3)	✓			
14.9	Are the following records current and available on-site? (Check any that are Not OK) <input type="checkbox"/> The total quantity of waste tires collected and expressed in tons. 62-711.520(6)(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Where or from whom the waste tires were collected and the quantity, in tons, collected from each. 62-711.520(6)(b) Where the waste tires were deposited and the quantity, in tons, deposited at each location. The waste tire collector shall keep receipts or other written materials documenting where all waste tires were deposited, stored or disposed of for at least three years. 62-711.520(6)(c)	✓			
14.10	Are Annual Reports submitted to the Department as required? 62-711.520(7)	✓			
14.11	Is the waste tire collector disposing of waste tires only at a permitted solid waste management facility? 62-711.520(10)	✓			
14.12	Are waste tires being stored on property that is not a waste tire collection center, permitted waste tire processing facility, permitted solid waste management facility, or other exempt facility? 62-711.400(4)	✓			
14.13	Are persons only contracting with registered or exempt waste tire collectors for the transportation, disposal, or processing of waste tires? 62-711.400(5)	✓			
14.14	Are any persons contracting with a waste tire collector for the transportation of more than 25 waste tires per month from a single business location maintaining records for that location and making them available for review by the Department or by law enforcement officers? 62-711.400(5)	✓			
14.15	Are all additional specific conditions (not otherwise addressed above) in the permit, registration, Department order, or other certification, if any, being followed? 62-701.320(1), 403.161, F.S.	✓			

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COMMENTS:

On August 15, 2019 a routine inspection was conducted at the Tire Disposal Services facility in Cottondale, Jackson County. Jim Merrifield, Dawn, Monica and I walked the facility and looked over the operation. Approximately 2500 waste tires are on site. Mr. Merrifield is allowed to have 6000 waste tires on site as allowed by his processing permit and financial assurance. The facility appears to be in-compliance with the Department's Solid Waste Management and Waste Tire Management Rules. Mr. Merrifield had a current waste tire collector decal on his truck.

Photo Attachments:

-Photos 1 and 2 show some of the waste tires (in trucks) currently on site.

-Photo 3 shows a current waste tire collector decal on one of Mr. Merrifield's trucks.

ATTACHMENTS:

Photo 1 - taken August 15, 2019



Photo 2 - taken August 15, 2019



Photo 3 - taken August 15, 2019



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Signed:

Dawn Templin

PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR NAME

Professional Engineer III

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Mike Stephen

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Jim Merrifield

REPRESENTATIVE NAME

Owner

REPRESENTATIVE TITLE

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Tire Disposal Services

ORGANIZATION

NOTE: By signing this document, the Site Representative only acknowledges receipt of this Inspection Report and is not admitting to the accuracy of any of the items identified by the Department as "Not Ok" or areas of concern.

Report Approvers:**Approver:** Dawn Templin**Inspection Approval Date:** 08/27/2019