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Ms. Susan Pelz, P.E.
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Subject: Sinkhole Action Plan Update
Hillsborough County Southeast County Landfill
FDEP Permit No. 35435-014-SO/01

Dear Ms. Pelz:

As discussed with you during our telephone conversation on April 6, 2011, work continues to be planned and implemented for the sinkhole remediation and repair to the clay liner at the Southeast County Landfill (SCLF), in accordance with the Sinkhole Action Plan (SAP), dated December 22, 2010, submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection – Southwest District (FDEP). Please note that the term “Phases” used in the SAP has been revised and are now referred to as “Stages” (e.g., Stages 1 through 5) so as not to be confused with the SCLF Phases 1 through VI landfill cells.

The implementation of the Stage 1 – Sinkhole Stabilization Plan, which included angular drilling and compression grouting, concluded on April 5, 2011. The Stage 1 Plan was submitted to the FDEP on January 12, 2011, and was subsequently accepted by the FDEP for implementation by Hillsborough County (County). Currently, the County’s engineering consultants are preparing a summary report of the Stage 1 work and will submit a report with recommendations to the FDEP once completed.

The County’s engineering consultants are also preparing the Stage 2 plan for excavation, fill, and waste relocation within the proximity of the sinkhole for providing an acceptable and safe base for the Stage 3 geotechnical and geophysical investigation. The Stage 2 plan will be submitted to the FDEP for acceptance prior to implementation.

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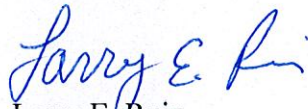
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For clarification and as stated in the SAP, the County will submit to the FDEP a written plan for each Stage of the work prior to implementation of each Stage. In addition, the FDEP will be notified of changes during the implementation of each Stage if in the event field conditions and/or data warrant.

Please let us know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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