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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
APR 28 2011
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT
TAMPA

RE: December 13, 2010 Inspection – Southeast County Landfill

Dear Ms. Madden:

On December 13, 2010, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) conducted an inspection of the Southeast County Landfill (Permit No. 34535-014-SO/01)

The referenced inspection report noted five comments that required the Solid Waste Management Group's (SWMG) response. For ease of review, the FDEP comments are provided below in bold type, followed by our response.

Item Number: 1.7

FDEP Explanation: Groundwater monitoring results pending Department review.

Response: Acknowledged.

Item Number: 1.9

FDEP Explanation: Status of funding unknown, processed in Tallahassee.

Response: The financial assurance cost estimates were approved on April 21, 2011 by Steve Morgan and forwarded to FDEP Tallahassee.

Item Number: 2.20

FDEP Explanation: Litter observed around Phase I working face. The litter fencing appeared adequately placed to allow for containment of the wind blown litter observed. Facility very cold and windy during the inspection (gusts fore-casted above 25 mph).

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Response: Acknowledged.

Item Number: 2.26

FDEP Explanation: Sparse/stressed vegetation was observed around the gas header pipe/KO at the SE corner of Section 7. It was unclear if sparse vegetation was caused by surface emissions or if it had not recovered since installation of the collection system. This area should be watched, evaluated for surface emissions, and/or repaired as necessary.

Response: The area in question is around condensate trap No. 4, the area has dead sod from the original installation during the landfill gas system construction. The concern from this area is erosion and the SWMG is monitoring the area. If any erosion occurs, the area will be repaired. The sod is not dead due to surface emissions, the SWMG conducts regular surface emissions testing in accordance with the Title V Permit and we have not found any exceedances.

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FDEP Explanation: All GW wells not located during the inspection. It did not appear that the TH-57 cap, W of Phase I, had been properly placed on the casing during recent sampling.

Response: Acknowledged. At the time of the inspection, it was also noted that the well cap for TH-57 was bent. A new cap was installed at TH-57 in January 2011.

The SWMG appreciates the opportunity to respond to the FDEP's findings. Should the FDEP have any questions or require additional information concerning the information provided, please contact me at (813) 272-5977 ext. 43933.

Sincerely,



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