

# SUMTER COUNTY SOLID WASTE

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT  
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RE: Warning Letter # WL08-008SW60SWD  
Sumter County Materials Recovery Facility  
Permit # 126941-003-SO, Sumter County

Ms. Gaskin:

This letter is in response to the warning letter, referenced above, received by Sumter County on August 18, 2008, and to inform you of the new policy regarding leachate water adopted by the Sumter County Solid Waste Department.

Aqua Clean, the company that disposes of our leachate water, arrived on June 27, 2008, and hauled out 3,993 gallons of leachate water. They were originally called for a pickup on June 24, 2008. It is very rare for them to not be here the next day. Had they arrived on the 25<sup>th</sup> this problem would not have occurred.

To avoid any problem of this nature in the future, I have adopted the following policy: Effective August 21, 2008, instead of trying to have a full load of 4,000 gallons of leachate water, Aqua Clean will be called for leachate disposal when the holding tank is full and the collection system in the floor sump is no more than half full. The Solid Waste Department will devise (has devised) a way to measure the level of leachate water in the floor sump. This should eliminate any concerns of the leachate water not being handled correctly.

We are also considering a water line connection to the City of Bushnell Waste Water Treatment Plant. This will eliminate the holding tank and the leachate water will automatically be pumped from the floor sump to the Treatment Plant. Hopefully this will be approved and accomplished in 2009.

I am including a copy of my letter to Mr. Bradley Arnold, Sumter County Administrator, and to Mr. Gary Kuhl, Sumter County Public Works Director, notifying them of the adoption of the above stated policy.

I trust this meets your expectations. I welcome any questions or comments.

Sincerely,  
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