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Hancock County Board of Commissioners
300 South Main Street
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**Re: Hancock County Landfill, Hancock County
Ohio Administrative Code(OAC) Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a) Approval**

Dear Commissioners:

On October 4, 2004, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a request, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), to reinstate ground water monitoring well SZ-3A back into the detection monitoring program at the Hancock County Landfill (Facility) located in Hancock County. During the March 22 through 24, 2004, and March 31, 2004, ground water sampling events, statistically significant increases of potassium were detected in monitoring well SZ-3A at the Facility, and notification was provided to Ohio EPA.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), the owner or operator may determine that the concentrations of all waste-derived constituents are shown to be at or below background values for two consecutive sampling events and request that the director approve reinstatement of the detection monitoring program.

Based on the information contained in the request, the results of two consecutive sampling events, conducted August 18, 2004, and September 2, 2004, indicated that the concentrations of all waste-derived constituents, including potassium, were at or below background values at monitoring well SZ-3A. Ohio EPA has reviewed the applicable information, and we concur with this conclusion. Therefore, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E)(9)(a), I hereby approve reinstatement of monitoring well SZ-3A back into the detection monitoring program.

Should future or existing ground water sampling results indicate statistically significant changes in ground water monitoring parameters, the owner or operator will be required to either enter into assessment monitoring in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-10(E) or obtain approval to remain in the detection monitoring program pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-10(D)(7)(c).

You are hereby notified that this action of the director of Ohio EPA is final and may be appealed

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Christopher Jones, Director

to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission (Commission) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. It must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the director's action. A copy of the appeal must be served on the director within three (3) days after filing with the Commission. An appeal may be filed with the Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
309 South Fourth Street
Room 222
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this document, please contact Ben Smith of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3062.

Sincerely,

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Director

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