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RE: Violation Notice

Montmorency-Oscoda-Alpena Solid Waste Management Authority

ROP: MI-ROP-N8248-2020a

SRN: N8248

Monitoring/Recordkeeping SC VI.2

Dear Ms. Owens:

The violation letter dated March 2, 2023, requests actions necessary to correct the cited violation identified on the February 8, 2023, inspection listed below:

"The condition of ROP number MI-ROP-N8248-2020a requires records of the location, depth and area, and quantity in cubic meters (cubic yards) of asbestos-containing waste material within the disposal site on a map or diagram of the disposal area storage."

Following discussions with MOA Landfill representatives and EGLE-AQD, we believe that the above observations are inaccurate and do not constitute a violation of the applicable legal requirement cited.

MOA Landfill does in fact keep a site map (attached) up to date that shows the location and quantity of asbestos-containing waste material (ACM). We believe that the reason for the violation letter was due to the elevation column not being clear to EGLE as to the depth the ACM is buried. In a follow-up phone call following the issuance of the violation letter, Gosling Czubak Engineering Services explained to EGLE-AQD that the top of waste is surveyed every quarter. If ACM was buried in that quarter, then the elevation is documented as less than the surveyed elevation. The elevation of waste is never greater than five feet in a quarter; therefore, the elevation of ACM will be within five vertical feet below the "elevation" measurement provided on the site map. In addition, the horizontal location, date of placement, and quantity of ACM is included on the site map.

Following this explanation, we believe that Montmorency-Oscoda-Alpena Solid Waste Management Authority (MOA Landfill) is not in violation of their ROP.

Please feel free to contact myself, Adam Segerlind, or Eric Vincke with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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