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Mr. Andrew Ballentine, Solid Waste Manager
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Subject: Determination of Completeness, Technical Review
Permit No. 1808T-TRANSFER-, City Of Hickory Transfer Station
Catawba County, DIN 25639

Dear Mr. Ballentine:

Determination of Completeness

On December 1, 2015 the Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section (Section) received your permit amendment for five (5) year renewal, entitled;

Operation Plan, City of Hickory Solid Waste Transfer Station, Permit No. 18-08T, Revised 11/30/15. Prepared by the City of Hickory. December 2015. DIN 25343.

The Section has performed a review of the Facility's application for a determination of completeness and determined the application is complete, in accordance North Carolina General Statute NCGS 130A-295.8(e). A determination of completeness means the application contains the required components in accordance with North Carolina Administrative Code 15A NCAC 13B .0400.

Technical Review

1. From the Facility's last inspection:

- a. "A dumpster and several roll-out cans were provided on the south side of the trailer loading area. It was explained that incidental waste that falls onto the ground as transfer trailers pull away from the compactors is immediately removed and placed into the waste containers. Waste within the containers is deposited into the transfer station hoppers and properly disposed at the end of the working day." Revise the Operations Plan by adding the description of this process.
- b. "Staff was observed cleaning a waste truck out on the south side of the facility within the area that drains directly into the sanitary sewer system. Mr. Ballentine explained that the trucks use this area for clean-out purposes so as to not obstruct the leachate drains within the floor of the transfer station with waste. Once the trucks finish the clean-out process, all waste deposited on the ground is loaded into the dumpster or roll-out cans for proper disposal within the transfer station hoppers." Revise the Operations Plan by adding the description of this process.

2. Revise page 4 of the Operations Plan, ***Litter***. The section should state; “In accordance with North Carolina Administrative Code 15A NCAC 13B .0402(7) At the conclusion of each day of operation, all windblown material resulting from the operation shall be collected and returned to the area by the owner or operator.”

Please provide an electronic copy of the revised Operations Plan, at your earliest convenience, in order to complete the permit process. If you should have any questions regarding this matter you may contact me at (828) 296-4704 or larry.frost@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

Larry Frost, Engineering Project Manager
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Division of Waste Management, NCDEQ

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