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February 25, 2016

Mr. Danny Fowler  
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612 North Madison Street  
Whiteville, NC 28472

Subject: Permit Application Complete and Review  
Columbus County Transfer Station  
Permit No. 2403T-TRANSFER-1997, Columbus County, Document ID No. 25666

Dear Mr. Fowler:

The Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section (Section), has received your permit amendment application for the Columbus County Transfer Station (Permit No. 24-03T). This letter is to notify you that the application is considered complete within the context of North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) §130A-295.8(e) and to provide a review of your application.

A determination of completeness means that the application includes all required components but does not mean that the required components provide all of the information that is needed for the Section to make a decision on the application.

Under NCGS §150B-3, when an applicant makes a timely and sufficient application for issuance or renewal of a permit, the existing permit does not expire until a final decision on the application is made. Therefore, until the final decision is made, you are authorized to continue operation of the Columbus County Transfer Station in accordance with your most recent Solid Waste Permit and the Solid Waste Management Rules (15A NCAC 13B).

The following are comments and/or questions concerning my review of the submittal. Please make changes as needed to the application.

1. There is a typographical error on the general information page. The Operations Plan is provided in Attachment 1.
2. In the last paragraph of Section 2 of the Operations Plan, it is stated that each of "Waste Management's staff members has the North Carolina Solid Waste Management of North Carolina (NCSWANA) certification". I understand that there has been a change in the contract with Waste Management. I believe it would be clearer to simply state that each

of the staff members has the certification or to clarify further if there is a difference in who does and doesn't have certification.

3. In a few of the instructions in the Control Program for Unauthorized Waste, there are references to "District Manager" and "Environmental Manger". I believe these are positions at the company Waste Management. Please review to make sure this is who should be contacted.
4. The site layout should be a clearer and identify the areas of the transfer station as with layout in previously approved application. I will provide assistant and send a suggestion.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (919) 707-8257 or by email at [pat.backus@ncdenr.gov](mailto:pat.backus@ncdenr.gov).

Sincerely,

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