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December 8, 2015

Mr. Andrew Ballentine, Solid Waste Manager  
Post Office Box 398  
Hickory, North Carolina 28603

RE: **Notice of Deficiency issued October 30, 2015**  
City of Hickory Transfer Station  
Permit #: 18-08T  
Catawba County

Dear Mr. Ballentine:

On October 21, 2015, Charles Gerstell, Environmental Senior Specialist, representing the State of North Carolina, Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Section, inspected the above referenced facility for compliance with North Carolina solid waste statues and rules. The City of Hickory was found in violation of 15A North Carolina Administrative Code 13B .0201(c) for operating a solid waste management facility without a currently valid permit. As a result of the violation, a Notice of Deficiency was issued to the City of Hickory on October 30, 2015.

To achieve compliance, the City of Hickory was required to submit a complete permit renewal application to include an updated site plan and operational plan to the Solid Waste Section for review within 30-days of receipt of the Notice of Deficiency. You submitted the requested information to Larry Frost, Permitting Engineer, by electronic correspondence on November 31, 2015.

This letter serves to confirm that the requirements of the Notice of Deficiency have been satisfied and the violation has been corrected. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (704) 235-2144 or [charles.gerstell@ncdenr.gov](mailto:charles.gerstell@ncdenr.gov).

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Charles T. Gerstell  
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Environmental Senior Specialist  
Division of Waste Management – Solid Waste Section



Cc: Jason Watkins, Field Operations Branch Head  
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