



**FACILITY COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT**  
**Division of Waste Management**  
**Solid Waste Section**

<b>UNIT TYPE:</b>											
Lined MSWLF		LCID		YW		Transfer	X	Compost		SLAS	<b>COUNTY: Catawba</b> <b>PERMIT NO.: 18-08T</b> <b>FILE TYPE: COMPLIANCE</b>
Closed MSWLF		HHW		White goods		Incin		T&P		FIRM	
CDLF		Tire T&P / Collection		Tire Monofill		Industrial Landfill		DEMO		SDTF	

**Date of Audit:** January 8, 2009

**Date of Last Audit:** October 28, 2008

**FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:**

City of Hickory Transfer Station  
 1050 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW  
 Hickory, North Carolina 28601

**GPS COORDINATES:** N: 35.73125 W: 81.35588

**FACILITY CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:**

Mr. John Yvars, Solid Waste Supervisor  
 (828) 323-7439

**FACILITY CONTACT ADDRESS:**

P.O. Box 398  
 Hickory, North Carolina 28601

**AUDIT PARTICIPANTS:**

Charles Gerstell, NCDENR, Solid Waste Section  
 John Yvars, Solid Waste Supervisor

**STATUS OF PERMIT:**

Permit issued 2/17/05. Renewal date is 2/17/10.

**PURPOSE OF AUDIT:**

Follow-up audit

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION(S):**

None

You are hereby advised that, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 130A-22, an administrative penalty of up to \$15,000 per day may be assessed for each violation of the Solid Waste Statute or Regulations. For the violation(s) noted here, you may be subject to enforcement actions including penalties, injunction from operation of a solid waste management facility or a solid waste collection service and any such further relief as may be necessary to achieve compliance with the North Carolina Solid Waste Management Act and Rules.

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**STATUS OF PAST NOTED VIOLATIONS:**

**15A NCAC 13B .0402(3):** During a previous inspection performed on July 9, 2008, leachate was observed leaking from two loaded, solid waste transfer trailers and one empty trailer at the facility. Leachate from these trailers was observed flowing into a catch basin that lead directly to the storm sewer system. This leachate was not treated prior to being released from the site into the storm sewer system. An inspection performed on October 28, 2008 found that an additional 6-inch trench drain had been installed at the paved lot south of the facility. This drain ties into the existing drains that lead to the sanitary sewer system. The storm drain mentioned on previous reports had been covered over with asphalt to prevent flow from entering the device. John Yvars stated that plans were to pave the asphalt lot south of the transfer facility to ensure that potential leachate would flow to those drains which lead to the sanitary sewer system. This inspection found that the asphalt lot on the south side of the facility has been paved and graded to direct flow to the drains leading to the sanitary sewer system. Therefore, this violation has been corrected and is considered resolved.

**15A North Carolina Administrative Code 13B .0105(c):** During the previous inspection performed on July 9, 2008, leachate was observed leaking from two loaded, solid waste transfer trailers that were being prepared to be taken to the Catawba County Landfill. Leachate was also observed leaking from an empty trailer at the facility. John Yvars notified the Division that seals had been replaced on all transfer trailers. No liquid was observed leaking from the trailers at the time of inspection. This violation is considered resolved.

**AREAS OF CONCERN AND COMMENTS:**

1. This inspection was performed to determine the status of compliance with the Compliance Order with Administrative Penalty issued on August 13, 2008. Please refer to the above comments for a status of compliance efforts.
2. Windblown waste was well managed at the time of inspection
3. No unacceptable waste streams were observed at the time of inspection.
4. A revised Operations Plan was submitted to the Division by electronic correspondence on September 19, 2008. However, it was determined that additional information was needed. The Condition for Compliance requiring a revised Operations Plan will not be considered resolved until all revised information is submitted.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this audit report.

  
 Charles T. Gerstell  
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*Regional Representative*

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cc: Mark Poindexter, Field Operations Branch Supervisor  
 Deb Aja, Western District Supervisor