



FACILITY COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Section

UNIT TYPE:

Lined MSWLF		LCID		YW		Transfer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Compost		SLAS		COUNTY: Chatham PERMIT NO.: 19-03T FILE TYPE: Compliance
Closed MSWLF		HHW		White goods		Incin		T&P		FIRM		
CDFL		Tire T&P / Collection		Tire Monofill		Industrial Landfill		DEMO		SDTF		

Date of Audit: August 18, 2006Date of Last Audit: February 15, 2006**FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:**

Waste Management/Chatham County Transfer Station
 361 Waste Treatment Plant Road
 Siler City, North Carolina 27344

FACILITY CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:

Kathy MacNish, District Manager, Waste Management – Sanford, Inc.
 (919) 777-5057

FACILITY CONTACT ADDRESS:

2720 Wilkins Drive
 Sanford, North Carolina 27330

AUDIT PARTICIPANTS:

Robert Hearn, Solid Waste Section
 Mark Overman, Site Operator, First Tee Transport, Inc.

STATUS OF PERMIT:

Permit Issued: August 10, 1993
 Permit Amended (renewal): December 2, 2004

PURPOSE OF AUDIT:

Partial audit

NOTICE OF VIOLATION:

(none)

You are hereby advised that, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 130A-22, an administrative penalty of up to \$5,000 per day may be assessed for each violation of the Solid Waste Statute or Regulations. If the violation(s) noted here continue, 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.

STATUS OF PAST NOTED VIOLATIONS:

(none)

AREAS OF CONCERN AND COMMENTS:

1. Audit conducted during middle of operating day. Met with Mr. Overman and discussed facility operations and maintenance. Reviewed basics of Permit #19-03 operation requirements, applicable Rules, and other regulatory issues.

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2. Inquired of Mr. Overman how facility staff manage tires and other banned or unpermitted waste items that are discovered on the tipping floor. He responded that staff would require the hauler of any such unapproved items to remove them from the facility. Mr. Overman was unsure how to handle such items whose hauler had already left the site or was unknown. Although several empty roll-off containers were observed on site, Mr. Overman indicated that they were “empties” reserved for pick-up by Waste Management, Inc. trucks for delivery to other sites, and that he understood that he was not welcome to utilize them because he had been criticized for doing so on prior occasions. Take measures to provide convenient, designated containers or other means sufficient to contain any banned waste items that are discovered on the tipping floor, until such time as they can be removed from the facility for proper management. Have staff review the facility Operations Plan, particularly with regard to identification and on-site management of banned or unapproved waste items. [In a follow-up meeting with Kathy MacNish on 8/21/06, she explained her understanding that at least one of the roll-off containers on site at the Chatham County transfer facility is designated for holding unapproved waste items. Take measures to ensure that any such containers provided for managing unapproved wastes are clearly marked and or designated for use by transfer facility staff, and also communicate such to any affected parties who may handle said containers.]
3. Observed Mr. Overman performing maintenance on the drains in the tipping floor area during my visit. He explained that the drains require constant maintenance to keep wash-down water and other liquids draining properly. Take measures to ensure proper function of facility drains, to include periodic drain cleaning or un-clogging by a professional, in addition to the daily maintenance performed by facility staff. [In the meeting with Ms. MacNish on 8/21/06, she explained that professional maintenance is performed on the drains as needed.]
4. Observed a significant amount of wind-blown waste around the facility during the inspection. Mr. Overman explained that because he is the only operator at the facility (and although he gathers wind-blown waste when he can during “business hours”), there is often insufficient time for him to complete wind-blown waste pick up during the hours he is allotted for work each day. He did assure me that all windblown waste is collected each Saturday, when the facility is not busy, allowing him time to conduct a thorough collection of wind-blown waste materials. This situation is unacceptable and should be addressed immediately to avoid compliance action. Take measures to ensure that sufficient manpower is available to enable this facility to operate as approved and permitted, to include daily clean-up of the facility, particularly its tipping floor and trailer areas and wind-blown waste collection.
5. Regularly clean the walls inside the transfer building so as to maintain the facility in a sanitary condition.
6. Conducted a follow-up meeting with Kathy MacNish, District Manager, on 8/21/06 to discuss issues regarding this facility and the Waste Management/Lee County Transfer Station (Permit #53-04T). Reminded Ms. MacNish to make any necessary arrangements to manage manpower, equipment, transportation, and other resources so as to maintain these facilities in good function, and ensure compliance with the North Carolina Solid Waste Management Rules and their respective Permits and approved Operations Plans.
7. Facility staff certifications on record and expiration of certification are as follows: Mark Overman, expires 4/5/08.

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

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cc: Mark Poindexter, Field Operations Branch Head
John Crowder, Eastern District Supervisor

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