



FACILITY COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Section

UNIT TYPE: (check all that apply to this audit with same Permit number)											
Lined MSWLF		LCID		YW		Transfer	X	Compost		SLAS	COUNTY: McDowell County PERMIT NO.: 56-02-T FILE TYPE: COMPLIANCE
Closed MSWLF		HHW		White goods		Incin		T&P		FIRM	
CDLF		Tire T&P / Collection		Tire Monofill		Industrial Landfill		DEMO		SDTF	

Date of Audit: December 20, 2006

Date of Last Audit: September 11, 2006

FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:

McDowell County Transfer Station
 3849 Highway 226 S.
 Marion, NC 28752

GPS COORDINATES: (Decimal Degrees) **N:** 35.65631 **E:** 081.95789

FACILITY CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:

Mike Gladden, Public Works Director 828-659-2521

FACILITY CONTACT ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):

60 East Court Street,
 Marion, NC, 28752

AUDIT PARTICIPANTS:

Mike Gladden, Public Works Director
 John Lewis, Transfer Station Supervisor
 Deborah Aja, Solid Waste Section, NCDENR

STATUS OF PERMIT:

Expired; request for review submitted.

PURPOSE OF AUDIT:

Inspection of Transfer Facility and Follow up of Notice of Violations issued on September 11, 2006.

NOTICE OF VIOLATION(S) (citation and explanation):

15A North Carolina Administrative Code 13B .0401(1) requires that operational plans shall be approved and followed as specified for the facility. Permit Operational Condition 1(c) requires that: "the facility shall be maintained in a sanitary condition during and after operating hours." The transfer facility floor was badly cracked. A portion of the floor was loosened so that it could move up and down under the weight of the equipment. The loosened portion of the floor and cracks in the floor trapped leachate and debris, therefore the floor was not and cannot be maintained in a sanitary condition.

McDowell County is in continuing violation of 13B .0402(1) and Permit Operational Condition 1(c) in that the facility was not maintained in a sanitary condition. In the Notice of Violation issued on September 11, 2006, a compliance date of December 22, 2006 was established to replace the transfer facility floor. A construction and operational plan describing how waste will be handled during construction was submitted, and a new compliance date of January 16, 2007 has been established to allow for the closing of the facility during construction on the weekend of January 12th through January 15th, 2007. This compliance date will not be extended unless

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circumstances such as weather conditions prevent the placement of concrete and other construction activities necessary to complete replace the facility floor.

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 (List all noted last audit):

McDowell County is in continuing violation of 13B .0402(1) and Permit Operational Condition 1(c) in that the facility was not maintained in a sanitary condition.

Violation of 15A North Carolina Administrative Code 13B Section .0402(6), requiring that equipment be provided in the storage and charging areas and elsewhere as needed to maintain the facility in a sanitary condition, has been corrected. The facility purchased a 2500-gallon water tank, high-pressure pump, and fire hose reel to maintain the facility in a sanitary condition. A concrete pad to house the tank was constructed adjacent to the transfer station building. On December 15, 2006, an updated operational plan was submitted describing methods to maintain the facility in a sanitary condition.

AREAS OF CONCERN AND COMMENTS:

1. Paving the road up to and around the facility would prevent and slow down the excessive wear to the facility floor and equipment.
2. The transfer station floor was badly cracked and a portion of the floor continues to move up and down under the weight of the equipment. This movement has increased since the last inspection. The cracks in the floor trap washdown water, leachate, and debris, and therefore cannot be maintained in a sanitary condition as required. Digital photographs of the floor were taken at the time of the inspection.
3. There was a small amount of debris in and around loading pit area – a truck was in the loading bay and in the process of being loaded during the inspection.
4. On December 14, 2006, a 12-foot by 16-foot concrete pad was constructed adjacent to the transfer station building to house the 2500-gallon water tank that will be used to maintain the facility in a sanitary condition.
5. There was a small amount of windblown litter around the transfer station building and access road that needs to be picked up.
6. Batteries were collected in plastic containers for recycling.
7. Waste screenings were performed with documentation on file. Pallets and metals were found during some of the screenings and removed to the wood processing area and metal recycling area as required.
8. Permitting – information that was requested by permitting staff on July 7, 2006 was submitted on December 15, 2006.

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

Deborah Aja

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