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Republic Services of Ohio II, LLC
c/o Michael Beaudoin
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Re: U.S. EPA Conditional Approval of the On-Site Continuous Monitoring of Air Contaminants Plan under Settlement Agreement No. V-W-08-C-897, for the Countywide Recycling and Disposal Facility, East Sparta, Ohio (Site ID# B5FC)

Dear Mr. Beaudoin:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review and hereby grants approval of the "Plan for On-Site Continuous Monitoring of Air Contaminants at the Countywide Recycling and Disposal Facility," prepared by Lawhon & Associates, Inc., submitted on 8/22/08.

As you are aware, U.S. EPA granted conditional approval of Phases 1 and 5 (pursuant to a Summary of Planned Activities dated 7/3/08) so that construction activities could progress pursuant to approved work plans under the Settlement Agreement. This current work plan submittal provides an overview of the plan to address manual and real-time monitoring (Phases 2, 3 and 4) and assess excursions as required by AOC Section VIII 15.e. of the Settlement Agreement.

It is the understanding of U.S. EPA that this work plan, as well as the plan for Phase 1 and 5, will be fully integrated into one "Ambient Air Monitoring Work Plan" (previously submitted on 5/28/08). U.S. EPA expects one complete document, which includes all proposed work, all relevant field analytical and laboratory QA/QC procedures, specifications and SOPs for all equipment to be utilized, will be submitted as soon as possible. This comprehensive document should take into account previous comments submitted (i.e., U.S. EPA's comments dated 6/24/08).

Finally, efforts to identify target compounds present in the odor plume continue and it is possible that the results of this work may yield information which could modify the approach. If and when appropriate compound(s) are identified, U.S. EPA will specify any appropriate modifications necessary to the system.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and desire to see the site activities initiated and concluded safely and expeditiously. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (440) 250-1742.

Sincerely,



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