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June 16, 2023

Keiy Murofushi  
Food and Culinary Services  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital  
1800 Orleans Street  
Baltimore, MD 21287

Re: Response to Waiver Request

Dear Keiy Murofushi,

The Maryland Department of the Environment (“MDE”) has completed its review of Johns Hopkins Hospital’s waiver request that was submitted on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Based upon this review, MDE has granted Johns Hopkins Hospital a waiver from Maryland’s Solid Waste Management – Organics Recycling and Waste Diversion – Food Residuals regulations (COMAR 26.04.13) until **December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**.

Thank you for your cooperation in providing a sound solid waste management plan to bring Johns Hopkins Hospital into compliance with the law by the end of 2023. If you have questions or need additional clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-537-3304 or [tyler.abbott@maryland.gov](mailto:tyler.abbott@maryland.gov) or Mr. Bradley Baker, Manager, Resource Management Program, at 410-537-3314 or [bradley.baker1@maryland.gov](mailto:bradley.baker1@maryland.gov).

Thank you,

Tyler Abbott, Director  
Land and Materials Administration  
Maryland Department of the Environment

cc: Devon Dodson, Assistant Secretary, MDE