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March 25, 2021

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Return Receipt Requested

Mr. Christopher M. Isakov, P.E.
Garnet of Maryland, Inc.
(d/b/a Waste Management)
8077 Brock Bridge Road
Jessup, Maryland 20794

Dear Mr. Isakov:

Enclosed herewith is the State of Maryland Refuse Disposal Permit No. 2021-WPT-0158, which is being renewed in accordance with your renewal application of February 3, 2021. This permit authorizes the continued operation of the Annapolis Junction Processing Facility and Transfer Station located at 8077 Brock Bridge Road in Jessup, Anne Arundel County. This permit supersedes and replaces Refuse Disposal Permit No. 2016-WPT-0158.

Please note that this permit is subject to the enclosed terms and conditions. This permit may be appealed by filing a written request for a hearing within 30 days of the service. The request should be addressed to Ms. Kaley Laleker, Director, Land and Materials Administration, at the Maryland Department of the Environment's address. You will subsequently be contacted regarding a hearing date. All permit hearings will be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. If no appeal is received within the specified time period, this constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of this permit.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Kaveh Hosseinzadeh, at (410) 537-3315 or kaveh.hosseinzadeh@maryland.gov

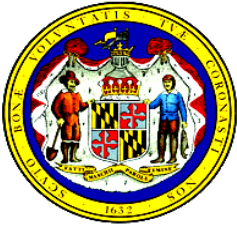
Sincerely,

Edward M. Dexter, Administrator
Solid Waste Program

Enclosure

cc: Kaley Laleker, Director, Land and Materials Administration (LMA)
Brian Coblentz, Chief, Compliance Division, LMA (w/encl.)
Kaveh Hosseinzadeh, Project Manager, Solid Waste Operations Division, LMA

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT



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1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 605, Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1719



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Refuse Disposal Permit ***No. 2021-WPT-0158***

ISSUE DATE: March 25, 2021

EXPIRATION DATE: March 24, 2026

Issued to: Garnet of Maryland, Inc. (d/b/a Waste Management)

Authorizing: The continued operation of the Annapolis Junction Processing Facility and Transfer Station

Located at: 8077 Brock Bridge Road, Jessup, Anne Arundel County, Maryland 20794

This permit is renewed pursuant to the provisions of Title 9 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and regulations promulgated thereunder, and is subject to the attached terms and conditions, and compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

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Edward M. Dexter, Administrator
Solid Waste Program

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kaley Laleker".

Kaley Laleker, Director
Land and Materials Administration

REFUSE DISPOSAL PERMIT

No.: 2021-WPT-0158

Issue Date: March 25, 2021

Expiration Date: March 24, 2026

**STATE OF MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
1800 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1719**

This Refuse Disposal Permit is renewed pursuant to the provisions of Title 9 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, by the Maryland Department of the Environment, Land and Materials Administration (the “Department”), to:

**Garnet of Maryland, Inc., (d/b/a Waste Management) (the “permittee”)
8077 Brock Bridge Road
Jessup, Maryland 20794**

for the continued operation of the

Annapolis Junction Processing Facility and Transfer Station

encompassing a

17-acre site

located at

**8077 Brock Bridge Road
Jessup, Anne Arundel County, Maryland 20794**

This permit is granted in accordance with the referenced documents in Part I, and subject to the terms and conditions specified in Parts II, III, and IV of this permit as follows:

- Part I:** Referenced Documents - permit application, plans and specifications and other pertinent documents submitted to the Department.
- Part II:** Facility Specific Conditions - conditions that amend all other permit conditions applicable to this facility should any discrepancies or conflicts exist.
- Part III:** General Conditions - conditions which are generally applicable to solid waste acceptance facilities similar to this facility.
- Part IV:** Standard Conditions - conditions which are generally applicable to all solid waste acceptance facilities.

Part I: Referenced Documents:

1. A Refuse Disposal Permit Renewal Application, dated February 3, 2021 and received on February 4, 2021.
2. A Refuse Disposal Permit Renewal Application, dated March 4, 2016 and received on March 9, 2016.
3. An updated Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan, dated March 2011 and received on March 17, 2011.
4. A Refuse Disposal Permit Renewal Application, dated January 14, 2011 and received on January 18, 2011.
5. A letter requesting approval to use Posi-Shell Cover System in place of ProGuard SB and ConCover mixture as an alternative cover for rail cars to transport solid waste from the Annapolis Junction Processing Facility and Transfer Station (AJ PF&TS), dated August 28, 2008 and received on September 2, 2008.
6. A Refuse Disposal Permit Renewal Application, dated December 1, 2005 and received on December 8, 2005.
7. A letter requesting approval to use ProGuard SB and ConCover mixture as an alternative cover for rail cars to transport solid waste from AJ PF&TS, dated November 2, 2005 and received on November 2, 2005.
8. A letter from Anne Arundel County stating that there are no hours of operation limitations unless imposed as a condition of a Special Exception at AJ PF&TS, dated February 13, 2003 and received on February 20, 2003.
9. A letter requesting authorization to operate 24 hours a day at the AJ PF&TS, dated February 6, 2003 and received on February 6, 2003.
10. A Refuse Disposal Permit Renewal Application, dated August 18, 2000 and received on September 21, 2000.
11. A letter pertaining to “Requested Response for Preliminary Plan Outline, Alternate Waste Handling and Transportation Plan”, dated October 27, 1999.
12. A set of engineering drawings entitled as “Garnet of Maryland” consisting of Sheets 1 through 4 of 4, prepared by Rust Environment and Infrastructure, dated December 4, 1995.
13. A document entitled “Traffic Impact Analysis Study Annapolis Junction Recycling Transfer Station Anne Arundel County, Maryland”, prepared by Wells & Associates, Inc., dated August 30, 1995 and received on August 31, 1995.

14. A Refuse Disposal Permit Application with accompanying plans and specifications entitled “Permit Application for the Garnet of Maryland Solid Waste Recycling Processing Facility and Transfer Station”, prepared by Rust Environmental and Infrastructure, dated August 31, 1995.

Part II: Facility Specific Conditions:

A. Acceptable Waste:

The permittee may only accept, process and transfer solid waste as specified in this facility's Refuse Disposal Permit Application and its supporting documents identified in Part I of this permit. The acceptable solid waste includes:

- Residential;
- Commercial;
- Industrial;
- Institutional;
- Land clearing debris;
- Construction and demolition debris;
- Litter;
- Bulky waste; and
- Asbestos (non-friable)

B. Hours of Construction and Operation:

1. The permittee may accept, process and transfer waste at this facility 24 hours a day, Monday through Saturday. Between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, all waste received at the facility during the operating day and remaining on the tipping floor must be transferred to enclosed haul vehicles for transport offsite. All solid waste, except for non-putrescible recyclables, shall be transported offsite within 48 hours of placement in enclosed transport vehicles.
2. A statement of the days and hours of operation shall be posted at the entrance to the facility.
3. Emergency conditions or unusual circumstances which require the performance of the activities which are authorized under B.1, after hours, shall be reported to the Department at (410) 537-3315 during normal business hours, or via the Department's Emergency Network at (866) 633-4686 at other times.
4. The Department may authorize an extension of the facility's hours of operation in emergency conditions. This approval does not authorize any infringement of federal, State or local laws or regulations, such as local zoning and land use requirements.

C. Capacity:

1. The maximum amount of waste accepted at the facility, including any amount held over from any previous operating day, shall not exceed 3,000 tons per day on a six-day workweek average.

2. The Department reserves the right to restrict the volume of material accepted at this facility upon a determination that nuisance conditions, harborage of disease vectors, fugitive dust, blowing litter, odors, or other conditions which are prejudicial to quality of the environment or the public health, safety or comfort have occurred or are likely to occur as a result of this practice.

D. Financial Security:

As a condition for obtaining and maintaining this permit, the permittee shall provide evidence of a surety bond or equivalent security payable to Anne Arundel County in the amount of \$250,000.00. The amount of the surety bond or required security may be reviewed and adjusted by the Department whenever the permit is renewed.

E. Waste Handling and Diversion:

1. Waste received and unloaded at the facility during a given operation day shall be placed into transportation units by the end of that operating day. On no account shall waste received during daily operations be allowed to remain on the tipping floor beyond 5:00 a.m. on the morning of the day following the day it was received, except under emergency conditions and with the approval of the Department for each specific emergency. For the purposes of this condition, an emergency constitutes an unusual and unforeseeable event that would interfere with the ability of the facility to transfer waste, such as a power outage or breakdown of critical equipment in the facility or at the normal waste receiving facility. An emergency does not include delays in the return of railcars or other transport vehicles under routine operating conditions, or refusal of the waste by the normal receiving facility.
2. The operator must notify the Department of the declaration of an emergency immediately upon the event becoming known. Depending on the time of day, the notification shall be made to the Department at (410) 537-3315 during normal business hours, with facsimile in writing to (410) 537-3842, or via the Department's Emergency Network at (866) 633-4686 at other times.
3. If the emergency condition cannot be resolved by 5:00 a.m. on the morning of the day following the last receipt of waste, the following actions shall be taken:
 - a. Acceptance of waste shall be suspended until the tipping floor has been cleared, and alternative provisions have been made for rail and/or truck transport of any waste to be received once receipt of waste begins again.
 - b. All major users of the facility must be notified of the suspension of waste acceptance with 3 hours of the decision to suspend waste acceptance.
 - c. If the alternative provisions for the transportation of waste do not allow for the transportation of the maximum capacity of the facility, then the acceptance of waste must be limited to that volume of waste that can be

transferred by the alternative means. No accumulation of waste in the facility is allowed.

- d. If the emergency conditions result from the unavailability or unwillingness to accept waste at the designated receiving facility, then alternative disposal sites must be identified and used.
 - e. The Department may approve reasonable departures from the approved operating manual for the facility to accommodate emergency operations.
 - f. Under no circumstances may operations continue if conditions which are unsafe for workers or users of the facility, or which cause or are likely to cause nuisances, pollution, or risks to the public health, safety, or comfort are allowed to develop.
 - g. Dispersion of dust and odors shall be controlled. Moreover, the refuse unloading/tipping areas shall be washed, cleaned, and disinfected by applying an effective disinfectant/deodorant to control nuisance odors off-site at least once a week or more often, as the Department deems necessary.
4. Sufficient railcars (or other transport vehicles) shall be immediately available at the site to accommodate all of the waste anticipated for each operating day.

F. Plans and Specifications:

Approved plans and specifications under Part I and Part II will satisfy the requirements under Parts III and IV of the permit conditions. The approved plans and specifications override the requirements under these conditions to the extent that they do not conflict with applicable laws or regulations unless a variance has been granted under the Code of Maryland Regulations 26.04.07.26, which conserves and protects the public health, the natural resources, and environment of the State, and to control air, water, and land pollution to at least the same extent as would be obtained by compliance with the regulation. However, these conditions do remain valid and enforceable.

Part III: General Conditions (Applicable to Solid Waste Processing and Transfer Stations):

A. Waste Acceptance Requirements:

1. The permittee may also accept, process and transfer the following classes of waste with the exceptions noted:
 - a. Household appliances and white goods may be accepted at the facility, provided that any refrigerant is removed from the appliances before processing and handled in accordance with Section 608 of the federal Clean Air Act.
 - b. Source separated recyclables such as paper, glass and plastic containers, etc. may be accepted and transported in vehicles separate from those of solid wastes.
 - c. Friable asbestos waste, provided that the material that is received is packaged and labeled as specified in Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 26.11.21.08A and is managed in the following manner:
 - i. The waste asbestos is unloaded carefully to prevent emission of fibers into the air as required in the NESHAPS 40 CFR Part 61, and specified in COMAR 26.11.21.06; and
 - ii. When managing friable asbestos waste, operators at the facility shall wear respiratory protection as specified in COMAR 26.11.21.05A, and wear protective clothing and use the equipment specified in COMAR 26.11.21.05D.
2. The following waste materials are specifically prohibited from being accepted at this facility, regardless of their origin or type:
 - a. Controlled hazardous substances, defined as hazardous waste in COMAR 26.13.02, unless specifically authorized by a valid permit issued under COMAR 26.13.07;
 - b. Special medical waste as defined in COMAR 26.13.11.02B(11);
 - c. Radioactive hazardous substances as defined in COMAR 26.15.02;
 - d. Automobiles;
 - e. Drums or tanks unless empty and flattened or crushed with the ends removed; drums or tanks that have held hazardous waste shall be emptied properly in accordance with COMAR 26.13.02.07;
 - f. Animal carcasses resulting from medical research activities or destruction of

diseased animals harboring diseases transmittable to humans, unless acceptance of the carcass(es) is ordered by the local health officer;

- g. Untreated septage or sewage scavenger waste;
 - h. Chemical or petroleum cleanup material, unless:
 - i. The nature of the spilled substance is known;
 - ii. The spilled material is not a controlled hazardous substance as defined in COMAR 26.13.02;
 - iii. The spilled material is not likely to adversely affect the facility; and
 - iv. The spilled substance is contained in an absorbent material of sufficient excess volume so that the material accepted at this facility does not exhibit free liquids as defined in this permit.
 - i. Truckloads of separately collected yard waste for final disposal, unless the permittee provides for composting or mulching of the yard waste;
 - j. Loads of separately collected food waste for final disposal unless the owner or operator provides for the organics recycling of the food waste;
 - k. Scrap tires, unless the Department authorizes the acceptance and processing of scrap tires as required in COMAR 26.04.08; and
 - l. Liquid waste or any waste containing free liquids, as determined by the EPA Method 9095 Paint Filter Liquids Test, as outlined in the most recent edition of the EPA Publication SW-846 "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste". This prohibition does not apply to small quantities of household liquid waste such as partially full food containers or household products, which may occur in the solid waste stream.
3. If sewage sludge, processed sewage sludge, or any other product containing these materials is proposed for storage, handling, or utilization at the facility, a separate application shall be submitted to the Biosolids Division for a sewage sludge utilization permit. That permit must be issued prior to the acceptance on site of any sewage sludge.
4. The Department, upon written request of the permittee, may amend the list in Part III.A. If the Department denies the permittee's request or unilaterally determines to limit or exclude a waste stream from being accepted at this facility, the permittee will be notified of the Department's decision in writing and will be provided an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

B. Building:

All activities pertinent to processing and transferring of solid waste involving the use of hydraulic, pneumatic, or mechanical equipment shall be conducted in an enclosed building. The building shall be adjacent to access roads, which are paved with a base capable of withstanding anticipated load limits.

C. Tipping, Loading, and Unloading Areas:

Waste tipping, loading, and unloading areas shall be constructed of impervious material, which is readily cleanable. Drains shall be connected to a sanitary sewer system or other permitted treatment facility.

D. Solid Waste Handling:

1. Solid waste unloading shall be restricted to the refuse unloading/tipping areas in such a manner that waste may be monitored easily and handled readily with available equipment.
2. Truck wheel curbs shall be provided to prevent vehicles from backing into the refuse unloading pit while unloading.
3. Dispersion of dust and odors shall be controlled. Moreover, the refuse unloading/tipping areas shall be regularly cleared of refuse and thoroughly washed, cleaned, and disinfected by applying an effective disinfectant/deodorant as is necessary to control nuisance odors off-site.
4. With the exception of de minimis construction and demolition waste material and land clearing debris, there shall be no solid waste remaining on the tipping floor, in the pit, or in uncovered open-top trailers at the end of any working day. All remaining solid waste shall be stored in leak-proof, fly and rodent-proof containers. The permittee shall clear the tipping floor, the pit, and any uncovered open-top trailers from all remaining solid waste, including construction and demolition waste material and land clearing debris, by the end of any working week.
5. The facility shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. The following conditions are required:
 - a. Plumbing, sanitary facilities, and wastewater disposal devices shall be maintained;
 - b. Floors shall be well drained and free from standing water;
 - c. Areas adjacent to the building shall be free of litter and standing water; and
 - d. Grass shall be neatly trimmed.

Part IV: Standard Conditions (Applicable to All Solid Waste Acceptance Facilities):

A. Supervision:

This facility shall be under the supervision of a responsible individual present at the disposal site at all times during the operation.

B. Right of Entry:

The permittee shall allow the Department's authorized representatives, at reasonable times and upon presentation of credentials:

1. To enter this facility covered under this permit or where any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit.
2. To have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit.
3. To inspect any equipment or process required in this permit.
4. To inspect any collection, treatment, pollution management or control facilities, or transport vehicles, required by this permit.
5. To sample any waste, groundwater, surface water, soil or vegetation on the site.
6. To obtain photographic documentation or evidence.

C. Controlled Access:

Access to this facility shall be controlled at all times. Gates, fencing, and other ingress/egress controls around the perimeter of this facility shall be adequate to control access when this facility is not in operation. All gates shall be locked when this facility is unattended. Access shall be limited to those times when authorized personnel are on duty at this facility.

D. Overall Operation:

The permittee shall take all measures necessary to control pollution, health hazards or nuisances. This facility shall be operated and maintained in such a manner as to prevent air, land, or water pollution, public health hazards or nuisances.

E. As-Built Plans:

The permittee shall submit to the Department 2 copies of certified as-built plans no later than 90 days after completion of the work under this permit.

F. Inspection of Incoming Waste:

1. The permittee shall inspect all incoming loads of solid waste material to insure that no unacceptable waste types, as herein defined in Part III of this permit, are included in the load. The permittee may conduct this inspection by observing wastes as they are deposited, transferred or processed.
2. If an unacceptable solid waste is identified during the tipping and/or inspection process, the permittee shall reject the unacceptable solid waste and advise the generator or hauler of the reason for rejection.
3. If the source of an unacceptable solid waste is unknown, the permittee shall dispose off-site all discovered unacceptable solid waste in a manner consistent with all applicable laws and/or regulations.
4. The permittee shall immediately (within 2 hours) report to the Department at (410) 537-3315 or (866) 633-4686 after working hours all incidents of discovery of any unacceptable hazardous waste materials in a load of waste. The permittee shall then submit to the Department a written report within 5 working days following the discovery. When the source of waste is known, the written report shall include the source of the waste, the transporter of the waste, the circumstances of discovery, a description of efforts to secure and control the waste and any release of pollutants from the waste, the current location and if known, the final disposition of the waste. If the source of waste is unknown, the written report shall include the circumstances of discovery, a description of efforts to secure and control the waste and any release of pollutants from the waste, and the current location and final disposition of the waste. If the source of unacceptable hazardous waste is known, the permittee shall reject the waste material and advise the generator or hauler of the reason of rejection. If the source of unacceptable hazardous waste is unknown, the permittee shall separate and handle the waste material in accordance with the applicable requirements of COMAR 26.13.02 "Disposal of Controlled Hazardous Substances".

G. Personnel, Equipment and Maintenance:

The permittee shall provide adequate personnel and equipment to insure proper construction and operation of this facility. Provisions shall be made for equipment repair or replacement as required. Substitute equipment shall be obtained when breakdown or maintenance renders essential operating equipment inoperative for a period in excess of 24 hours during days of operation.

H. Roads:

1. The permittee shall provide all-weather access roads to the disposal site or receiving area, and to all required pollution control and monitoring systems and devices.
2. Roads shall be maintained in a serviceable manner to allow passage by a waste hauling, emergency, or inspection vehicle, and to prevent the tracking of soil, ash, or waste onto any public road and/or to cause a public nuisance. If necessary, vehicles shall be cleaned prior to leaving this facility. Additional actions or facilities may be required at the discretion of the Department in order to control sediment tracking.

I. Dust and Noise Control:

1. Dust shall be controlled through the application of water to roads, operational procedures designed to limit disturbance of bare soils, and other practices approved by the Department. No chemical, oil or petroleum product shall be used for the control of dust without prior written approval from the Department.
2. Operations of the facility shall be conducted in a manner that conforms to the applicable noise provisions of COMAR 26.02.03. This permit does not authorize the violation of any local noise control laws or ordinances which may be enforced by the local government.

J. Litter Control:

1. Scattering of wastes by wind or other means shall be controlled by fencing or other barriers that are engineered and maintained in a manner that prevents litter from leaving the permitted facility.
2. The entire site shall be policed daily or more often, as needed, to prevent nuisance conditions. Litter that has scattered beyond the disposal site or receiving area, entered drainage features or surface water features, or has accumulated along litter fencing or other barriers, shall be picked up daily and placed in the disposal site or receiving area.

K. Liquids Management:

1. Under no circumstances may any collected contaminated liquids be discharged by any means, except to the sanitary sewerage system or any permitted treatment facility, without written authorization from the Department. Any discharge to a sanitary sewerage system shall comply with the applicable provisions of the state's pretreatment program, as described in COMAR 26.08.08.

2. Storm water management at this facility shall be in accordance with the requirements of COMAR 26.17.02. Any point source discharge of pollutants to waters of the state is prohibited unless permitted by the Department. Any pollutants from the handling, transfer, or storage of wastes, including accidental spills and rainfall events, shall be collected or disposed of in a manner approved by the Department.

L. Fuel Storage:

Fueling of equipment and vehicles shall be conducted with care to avoid spilling or overfilling. The storage tanks and fuel distribution facilities shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the applicable requirements of COMAR 26.10.01 through COMAR 26.10.11 inclusive, and with the requirements of local fire prevention agencies. Any spilled fuel shall be cleaned up immediately. Disposal of spilled fuel may only take place at an incinerator, municipal landfill or oil handling facility permitted to accept this material.

M. Fire Control:

1. Solid waste may not be burned at this facility except as permitted by the Department.
2. The permittee shall take suitable measures to control and prevent fires that may occur during the operation of this facility.

N. Removed Pollutant Substances:

Unless previous written approval for disposal has been given by the Department, wastes such as solids, sludge, or other materials removed from or resulting from the treatment or control of waste waters or facility operations, shall be disposed of at a facility approved to accept such materials, and in a manner to prevent any removed substances or runoff from such substances from entering or from being placed in a location where they may enter the waters of the state.

O. Pollution Monitoring and Control Device Requirements:

1. All pollution control and ground and surface water monitoring systems (including storm water management and sediment control systems) shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and plans and specifications approved by the Department. All pollution control and ground and surface water monitoring systems shall remain operational and shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of the approved plans and specifications.

2. Any incidence of damage to this facility's monitoring or pollution control systems shall be reported to the Department at (410) 537-3315 within 2 hours of the incident, or within 2 hours of the discovery of the damage if the damage occurred outside of working hours. All repairs needed to correct the damage shall be completed as soon as practical or as specified by the Department.
3. During construction and operation of this facility, the sediment and storm water basins shall be cleaned out whenever (a) a clean-out elevation is reached; (b) construction is completed; (c) the amount of sediment reaches 50% capacity, and/or (d) as specified by the approved Sediment and Erosion Control Plan.

P. Penalties for Tampering:

Section 9-343 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by fines, or by imprisonment, or by both.

Q. Records Retention:

1. All records and information resulting from the monitoring activities required by this permit, including all records of analyses performed, calibration and maintenance of instrumentation, original recordings from continuous monitoring instrumentation, and inspection results shall be retained by the permittee on-site or at another location upon written approval of the Department, for a minimum period of 5 years.
2. All documents listed in Part I: A. Operating Documents of this permit shall be retained by the permittee on-site for the life of the permit. Historical documents listed in Part I may be retained at an off-site location.

R. Annual Report:

An annual report shall be submitted to the Department concerning the operation and status of this facility for each calendar year that this facility is in operation. The annual report shall be for the calendar year ending December 31 and shall be submitted by March 1 of the following year on the form provided by the Department.

S. Duty to Provide Information:

The permittee shall furnish to the Department within a reasonable time, any information that the Department may request, to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking, reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with this permit.

T. Alterations:

Any modification to this facility or its operating plans must be approved in writing by the Department prior to implementation. Modifications include, but are not limited to, any changes that alter a significant structural feature, operational procedure, element of design, type of equipment or method of construction described in the approved plans and specifications for this facility and defined herein.

U. Operation and Maintenance Manual:

The permittee shall review the Operation and Maintenance Manual (O&M) for this facility prior to permit renewal. If a change has occurred to the operation or maintenance of the facility, the permittee shall submit to the Department an addendum to the O&M to reflect the change.

V. Application for Renewal:

1. At least 2 weeks before the expiration date of this permit, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Department, the permittee shall submit a new application for renewal of the authorization to continue to operate under the provision of this permit or notify the Department of the intent to cease operating by the expiration date. In the case of landfill systems, the application shall be submitted in accordance with Section 9-213 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. In the event that a timely and sufficient reapplication has been submitted and the Department is unable, through no fault of the permittee, to renew this permit before its expiration date, the terms and conditions of this permit are automatically continued and remain fully effective and enforceable.
2. The Department may refuse to renew this permit if the permittee violates the terms or conditions of this permit or state law and regulations, in accordance with Section 9-214 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

W. Closure:

1. When operations end, the permittee shall close this facility in a manner that prevents erosion, health and safety hazards, nuisances, and pollution.
2. All remaining solid wastes, not properly disposed of, shall be transferred to a permitted facility for proper disposal.
3. If applicable, the surety bond for this facility as specified in Sections 9-211 or 9-211.1 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland or other financial assurance required by State, federal, or local regulations, shall be utilized to the extent necessary to remediate the

facility if the permittee does not close this facility in a proper manner, and the Department:

- a. Notifies the permittee and corporate surety on the bond that the facility is not properly closed;
- b. Specifies in the notice, the deficiencies that must be addressed;
- c. Gives the permittee and the corporate surety a reasonable opportunity to correct the deficiencies and close the facility in accordance with the regulations of the Department; and
- d. Authorizes the local governing body or other agency to use the surety bond to close the facility in accordance with the regulations of the Department.

X. Transfer of Permit or Ownership:

1. This permit is valid only for the permittee named and may not be transferred to another entity without first obtaining a new Refuse Disposal Permit from the Department for the new entity.
2. In the event of any change in control or ownership of the property, the permittee shall notify the succeeding owner by certified mail, of the existence of this permit and of any outstanding permit noncompliance, a minimum of 30 days prior to transfer. A copy of this notification shall also be forwarded to the Department at the same time.

Y. Compliance:

1. The permittee shall comply with the terms and conditions of this permit, and with all applicable federal, local and State laws and regulations.
2. If for any reason the permittee does not comply or is unable to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this permit, the permittee shall notify the Department at (410) 537-3315 on the same day or on the next working day, following any noncompliance. Within 5 working days after this notification, the permittee shall provide the Department with the following information in writing:
 - a. Descriptions of the noncompliance, including dates, time, and type of noncompliance;
 - b. Cause of noncompliance;
 - c. Anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue or if such condition has been corrected;

- d. Steps taken by the permittee to correct the noncompliance; and
- e. Steps to be taken by the permittee to prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

Z. Local Solid Waste Management Plan/Zoning and Land Use Requirements:

- 1. Nothing in this permit authorizes the construction or the operation of this facility when it is not in conformance with the local solid waste management plan, or zoning or land use requirements. The issuance of this permit does not prevent any duly authorized local authority from taking action to enforce applicable zoning, planning and land use requirements, or provisions of the local solid waste management plan.
- 2. This permit may be suspended or revoked upon a final, unreviewable determination that the permittee lacks, or is in violation of, any federal, State or local approval necessary to conduct the activity authorized by this permit.

AA. Civil and Criminal Liability:

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to neither preclude the institution of any legal action nor relieve the permittee from civil or criminal responsibilities and/or penalties for non-compliance with Title 9 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, or any federal, local or other State laws or regulations.

BB. Penalties for Violations of Permit Conditions:

Section 9-268 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, provides that, except for violations of Part III of that subtitle and violations enforced under Section 9-267 of that subtitle, the provisions of Sections 9-334 through 9-342 of Subtitle 3 of that title shall be used and shall apply to enforce violations of:

- 1. That subtitle;
- 2. Any regulation adopted under that subtitle; or
- 3. Any permit issued under that subtitle.

CC. Property Rights:

The issuance of this permit does not intend to convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privilege or franchise, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of federal, State or local laws or regulations.

DD. Severability:

If any provision of this permit shall be held invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect, and such invalid provision shall be considered severed and deleted from this permit.

EE. Signatory Requirements:

All applications, request for alterations, renewal requests, or monitoring reports submitted to the Department shall be signed and verified in accordance with Section 1-201 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, by the permittee or authorized representative of this facility as being true.