



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

October 9, 2020

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SUBJECT: North Country Environmental Services, Inc. Landfill, Bethlehem, NH
Permit No. DES-SW-SP-03-002

Issuance of Type I-A Permit Modification and Waiver for Expansion (Stage VI)
Initial Applications received March 24, 2020; and assigned Application #2020-47865

Dear Mr. Gay:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Waste Management Division (NHDES) has completed its review of the above-referenced applications submitted by North Country Environmental Services, Inc. (NCES). In its applications, NCES requested a modification to its Solid Waste Permit No. DES-SW-SP-03-002 to approve a vertical and lateral expansion of the NCES landfill, and a waiver of certain design requirements related to leak detection and location systems. NHDES has approved the applications, and issues the enclosed Type I-A Record of Permit Modification and Waiver Approval pursuant to RSA 149-M:9, and Chapters Env-Sw 200 and Env-Sw 300 of the New Hampshire Solid Waste Rules. NHDES is also issuing, concurrent with the approvals, a description of our review of the applications (application review summary) and our response to public comments received regarding the applications.

Please note that this modification requires NCES to submit for record complete .pdf copies of the Approved Operating and Closure Plans. Further, this modification is not an approval to commence construction or operation of the expansion. Prior to starting construction or operation of the expansion, NCES is required to fulfill certain terms and conditions of the permit and seek approval to construct pursuant to the Solid Waste Rules.

Any person aggrieved by this decision can file an appeal with the NH Waste Management Council (Council). Any such appeal must be filed directly with the Council in accordance with the Council's rules, Env-WMC 204, *Appeals: Filing; Notice; Parties and Representatives; Scheduling; Motions*. The appeal must be filed **directly with the Council within 30 days** of the date of this decision and must set forth fully **every ground** upon which it is claimed that the

decision complained of is unlawful or unreasonable. Only those grounds set forth in the notice of appeal can be considered by the Council.

Information about the Council, including a link to the Council's rules, is available at <https://www.nhec.nh.gov>.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Jaime M. Colby, P.E., of the Solid Waste Management Bureau at jaime.colby@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-5185.

Sincerely,



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encl. Record of Modification to Permit No. DES-SW-SP-03-002
Waiver Approval No. DES-SW-WV-20-004
Application Review Summary, dated October 9, 2020
Response to Public Comments, dated October 9, 2020

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