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July 26, 2013

Re: Approval for Alternative Lake Weed Composting Method
Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Class B & C Recycling Center
Mt. Olive, Morris County
PI # 132502

Dear Mr. Gindoff:

The Bureau of Transfer Stations & Recycling Facilities ("Bureau") is in receipt of your letter dated July 25, 2013 requesting to modify operations at the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") Recycling Center located in Mount Olive to accept and compost shipments of lake weed. The MCMUA possesses a Recycling Center General Approval that authorizes the facility to accept lake weed. However, due to current status of the facility's windrows, the site is not able to accommodate lake weed into its windrows in accordance with the procedures detailed within the General Approval at this time. Therefore, the MCMUA is proposing to establish two dedicated lake weed windrows this summer, turn the windrows approximately once per week, and then blend the lake weed with leaves this fall in order to produce a finished compost product next spring.

The Bureau hereby approves the MCMUA proposal contained in the July 25, 2013 letter subject to the following conditions:

1. The MCMUA may establish two dedicated lake weed windrows during the summer and early fall of 2013 as depicted on the drawing attached with the July 25, 2013 letter. Each windrow may have maximum approximate dimensions of 14 feet in width, 300 feet in length, and 8 feet tall. Each windrow may hold approximately 400 cubic yards of lake weed.

2. The MCMUA shall use its windrow turner to turn the lake weed approximately once per week in order to help aerate and size reduce the windrows and control odor issues.

3. During the upcoming 2013 fall leaf season, the MCMUA shall blend the lake weed with leaves to begin the MCMUA's compost production process in accordance with the facility's General Approval.

Be advised, the Bureau may terminate this temporary approval at any time if this alternative lake weed management method causes environmental problems including excessive odor issues.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at 609-292-9880 or at anthony.fontana@dep.state.nj.us.

Sincerely,

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