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October 9, 2015

Hon. Kevin J. Tollisen
Supervisor, Town of Halfmoon
2 Halfmoon Town Plaza
Halfmoon, NY 12065

Re: Town of Colonie Landfill

Dear Supervisor Tollisen:

Capital Region Landfills, Inc. (CRL) has received your letter dated September 16, 2015. In response to your requests, we offer the following.

CRL encourages the public to report any odors related to the landfill to our odor hotline (518-783-2827 Option 4). We also periodically receive reports of odors made directly to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). We take these reports seriously and investigate them to verify the reported odor and to identify potential sources. Where a source at the landfill can be identified, CRL takes the appropriate corrective actions to resolve the issue. If a specific landfill operation or source is identified for multiple reported odors over time, CRL evaluates the operation or source more closely to minimize the potential for odors to recur.

CRL routinely evaluates the facility and facility operations to improve odor controls. CRL has implemented a number of changes at the facility to reduce odors and will continue to implement additional measures to control odors from the facility. All yard waste composting has ceased at the landfill, and yard waste received at the landfill is instead transloaded to off-site registered or permitted composting facilities. Each of the last several years, CRL has expanded the landfill gas extraction system. This year, we have added five vertical extraction wells and six horizontal collectors to increase the collection efficiency of landfill gases to reduce potential odors. In addition, there are several aspects of the proposed Area 7 Development project that will further reduce the potential for odors. These include the replacement of the current open-air leachate storage lagoons with covered tanks, and the

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routing of leachate discharges to bypass the pump station on Fonda Road which has been a potential odor source in the past.

Regarding the permitting timeline for the proposed Area 7 Development, CRL is in the process of responding to technical comments on our permit application documents from the NYSDEC. When we have answered all of those questions to the satisfaction of the NYSDEC, they will consider the application complete. We expect that the application may be considered complete in the coming months, and once that occurs, a public comment period will begin where NYSDEC will solicit input from interested parties related to the proposed project. This comment period will be communicated and led by NYSDEC.

We look forward to continuing to work to operate the Town of Colonie Landfill in compliance with the facility permits and to be good neighbors within the area communities.

We are happy to meet with you at the landfill or at your offices to discuss in more detail. Please contact me with any additional questions.

Sincerely,
Capital Region Landfills, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald Hallock", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Donald Hallock
District General Manager

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