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Mary-Ellen Gilpin, Director – Environmental Programs Hudson County Improvement Authority 830 Bergen Avenue 9th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306

Dear Ms. Gilpin:

The Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste (Department) is in receipt of a request for administrative action to the Hudson County District Solid Waste Management Plan (County Plan) dated June 23, 2016. This request for administrative action to the County Plan proposes County Plan inclusion of an Extension Agreement to the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement¹ between Hudson County and the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority (NJSEA) for the provision of non-processible waste disposal services and the direction of waste to the Keegan Landfill for a period of six (6) months beginning July 1, 2016 while the condemnation action and Solid Waste Permit renewal process for Keegan Landfill are being completed.

Pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 7:26-6.11(b)14, the inclusion of the approval of an Extension Agreement to the Solid Waste Disposal Services Agreement can be accomplished via an administrative action. Therefore, this administrative action is hereby approved pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 7:26-6.11(f).

As a condition of this approval, the Department is requiring that if upon resolution of the Keegan Landfill condemnation proceedings a determination is reached that the Keegan Landfill may continue accepting waste for disposal, that Hudson County will immediately begin the process to submit a full Plan Amendment to the Department for Solid Waste Disposal Services and wasteflow consistent with the status of Keegan Landfill. Within sixty (60) days of resolution of the condemnation proceedings if it is determined that the landfill may continue operating, Hudson County must have developed a Plan Amendment and advertised a request for public comment at a public hearing regarding said Plan Amendment pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.10(d).

¹ The current Solid Waste Disposal Agreement was for a 30-month term beginning on January 1, 2014 and expiring on June 30, 2016. It provided for the direction of all grits and screenings and solid waste types 13, 13C, and 27 generated within Hudson County to the publicly owned and operated Keegan Landfill.

Said Plan Amendment shall be submitted to the Department for Certification within ninety (90) days of resolution of the Keegan Landfill condemnation proceedings, or this administrative action will become invalid.

If you have any questions relative to this matter, please contact Dawn Slawsky of my staff at (609) 292-4393 or by e-mail at dawn.slawsky@dep.nj.gov.

Sincerely, Edward a. Miliuvocki

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