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**IN THE MATTER OF CERTAIN AMENDMENTS  
TO THE ADOPTED AND APPROVED SOLID  
WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE  
MERCER COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**CERTIFICATION  
OF THE JUNE 11, 1991  
AMENDMENT TO THE MERCER COUNTY  
DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER:**

**A. Introduction**

The New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.) established a comprehensive system for the management of solid waste in New Jersey. The Act designated all twenty-one (21) of the state's counties, and the Hackensack Meadowlands District, as Solid Waste Management Districts, and mandated that the Boards of Chosen Freeholders and the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission (HMDC) develop comprehensive plans for waste management in their respective districts. On July 31, 1980, the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (Department or DEPE) approved, with modifications, the Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan (County Plan).

The Act requires that all district plans be based on and accompanied by a report detailing the existing waste disposal situation in the district, and a plan which includes the strategy to be followed by the district in meeting the solid waste management needs of the district for a ten-year planning period. The report must detail the current and projected waste generation for the district, inventory and appraise all facilities in the district, and analyze the waste collection and transportation systems which serve the district. The disposal strategy must include the maximum practicable use of resource recovery techniques. In addition to this strategy, the plan must designate sufficient available suitable sites for the disposal of the district's waste for a ten-year period, which sites may be in the district or, if none are available, in another district. (The Act provides procedures for reaching any necessary interdistrict agreements.)

The Act further provides that a district may review its plan at any time and, if found inadequate, a new plan must be adopted. The Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders (County Freeholders) completed such a review and on June 11, 1991 adopted an amendment to its approved County Plan.

The June 11, 1991 amendment proposes to incorporate a statement of solid waste strategy, an interdistrict agreement between Mercer County and Atlantic County, a revised source separation and recycling plan and a method of finance plan.

#### **Solid Waste Strategy**

The overall district strategy as detailed in the amendment addresses the Solid Waste Assessment Task Force's recommendations by providing an integrated solid waste management plan which incorporates source reduction, composting, recycling, regionalization, resource recovery and landfilling technologies. Further, some major components of the strategy include an interdistrict agreement between Mercer and Atlantic Counties for regional disposal, expansion of the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility (RRF) to 1,450 tons per day (TPD) and continued utilization of the G.R.O.W.S. landfill in Pennsylvania. Finally, implementation of Mercer County's integrated plan will seek to cap per capita generation, recycle and compost 60% of the total waste stream by December 31, 1995, process 30% of the total waste stream through resource recovery, and landfill the remaining 10% of the waste stream.

#### **Interdistrict Agreement**

The Interdistrict Agreement between Mercer and Atlantic Counties, which was signed on August 23, 1991, provides for the shared utilization of the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility for a period of 20 years from commencement of commercial operation (expected to be December 1995); the shared utilization of Atlantic County's bulky waste facility and composting facility, and the use of the G.R.O.W.S. landfill as the primary disposal facility for ash and by-pass waste. Schedule A of the interdistrict agreement includes Atlantic and Mercer Counties' projected tonnages to be directed to the waste to energy facility, bulky waste recycling facility and landfill, and compost facilities.

#### **Revised Source Reduction and Recycling Plan**

The recycling plan addresses the County's current recycling activities, plan strategy, designated materials, market strategy, enforcement activities, plan modification process, source reduction and public information and education program. Further, the interdistrict agreement between Mercer and Atlantic Counties is a component of the recycling plan and provides for the utilization of capacity at composting, bulky waste and recycling facilities in Atlantic County for Mercer County materials. Also, solid waste/recycling projections are provided for the period 1989-2014 and the County indicates recycling rates of 60% of the total waste stream and 50% of the municipal waste stream by December 31, 1995. Finally, the amendment incorporates the Mercer Wrecking Recycling Corporation facility located in the City of Trenton into the plan to process construction and demolition materials.

**Method of Finance**

The method of finance to be used for various facilities to be constructed or acquired by the Mercer County Improvement Authority (MCIA) or other appropriate County agency for solid waste disposal is proposed to be long-term bonds amortized over a period consistent with the useful lives of the facilities constituting parts of the County solid waste system.

The amendment was received by the Department on June 11, 1991 and copies were distributed to various administrative review agencies for review and comment, as required by law. The Department has reviewed this amendment, as well as the entire County Plan, and has determined that the amendment adopted by the County Freeholders on June 11, 1991 is approved as provided in N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24. While the immediate plan amendment has been approved, a deficiency in the County Plan has been identified within Section C. of this certification.

**B. Findings and Conclusions with Respect to the Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment**

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24a(1), I, Scott A. Weiner, Commissioner of the Department, have studied and reviewed the June 11, 1991 amendment to the County Plan according to the objectives, criteria, and standards developed in the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan and I find and conclude that this plan amendment is consistent with the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan.

In conjunction with the review of the amendment, the Department circulated copies to sixteen administrative review agencies and solicited their review and comment. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24a(2) and (3), these agencies included various bureaus, divisions, and agencies within the Department as well as the Board of Public Utilities (Board), which merged with the Department on August 19, 1991. In this regard, comments from the Board have been included under the Division of Solid Waste Management's comments. The following are the review agencies.

Division of Environmental Quality, DEPE  
Division of Coastal Resources, DEPE  
Division of Parks and Forestry, DEPE  
Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife, DEPE  
Division of Solid Waste Management, DEPE  
Groundwater Quality Management Element, DEPE  
Wastewater Facilities Regulation Element, DEPE  
Green Acres Program, DEPE  
New Jersey Turnpike Authority  
New Jersey Advisory Council on Solid Waste Management  
Department of Agriculture  
Department of Health  
Department of Transportation  
Department of Community Affairs  
Department of the Public Advocate  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1. Agency Participation in the Review of the June 11, 1991 Amendment

The following agencies did not object to the proposed plan amendment:

Division of Parks and Forestry, DEPE  
Green Acres Program, DEPE  
Groundwater Quality Management Element, DEPE  
Wastewater Facilities Regulation Element, DEPE  
New Jersey Turnpike Authority  
Department of Agriculture

The following agencies did not respond to the Department's requests for comments:

Division of Coastal Resources, DEPE  
New Jersey Advisory Council on Solid Waste Management  
Department of Health  
Department of Community Affairs  
Department of the Public Advocate  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

The following agencies submitted substantive comments which are further addressed below:

Division of Environmental Quality, DEPE  
Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife, DEPE  
Division of Solid Waste Management, DEPE  
Department of Transportation

2. Issues of Concern Regarding the June 11, 1991 Amendment

**Issue: Incineration project concerns**

**Comment:** The Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife (DFG&W) commented that solid waste agreements would seem more appropriate with adjoining counties. The DFG&W also questioned whether a "cap" on capacity has been established relative to safe air contaminants/emissions levels. DFG&W further commented that increasing the capacity of the incinerator facility in response to the Mercer-Atlantic agreement would increase air contaminants/emissions and require a new health risk assessment which addresses the impacts of the airborne contaminants on humans, waterfowl, fishes, mammals, water quality, etc. The DFG&W was also concerned whether increased facility capacity would jeopardize mitigation features previously presented by the applicant in the FEHIS for the project which addressed only Mercer County waste. These mitigation features included preservation of certain wooded areas around the site perimeter, cleanup/establishment of a successional landscape park and part of the resource recovery facility site, as well as the use of air cooled condensers. Finally, the DFG&W commented that new technologies in upgraded recycling and high-tech composting are an alternative to incineration that have been undertaken by other counties.

**Comment:** The Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) commented that an application for the proposed thermal destruction facility, sized at 1,450 TPD, is presently being prepared by the MCIA. Based on preapplication discussions, the DSWM would expect waste flow projections in the application to reflect sixty percent recycling (as per the Governor's Emergency Solid Waste Assessment Task Force recommendation). Also expected to be submitted is an Atlantic County solid waste routing plan reflecting the transport of waste to the MCIA thermal destruction facility. Upon submission of the MCIA applications, the DSWM will have additional information to evaluate the efficacy of the County Plan with regard to the thermal destruction facility. The DSWM also commented that a major component of the disposal strategy relies on the utilization of long-term out-of-state disposal which is not consistent with the state's position on self-sufficiency. Specifically, pursuant to a contract between Mercer County, G.R.O.W.S. and Waste Management, the Mercer district will utilize out-of-state disposal for 4.5 million tons of Mercer's waste for a period of up to 25 years. Also, Atlantic County has a similar contract for 2 million tons for a period up to 10 years. Finally, the DSWM commented that the County plan should provide a "mixed loads" policy whereby solid waste can be brought to registered transfer stations and materials recovery facilities in or out of the County as long as a proportional amount is returned to the MCIA system.

**Response:** The comments by the DFG&W and the DSWM which relate to the technical review portion of the resource recovery application will be addressed during the Department's technical review process. The Engineering Element of the DSWM has the responsibility to investigate the potential impacts of the proposed facility on the surrounding environment. In this regard, limits will be assessed to determine environmental acceptability concerning facility capacity relative to air emissions. Also, air impacts to natural resources are within the purview of the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and a copy of the DFG&W comments will be forwarded to the Division for their review. Further, although the "region" as defined by the Mercer/Atlantic agreement does not involve adjoining counties, the agreement is appropriate in that it benefits both counties and limits the need for an incinerator in each county. Regarding alternative technologies, as noted in Section C., the Mercer County plan addresses the Solid Waste Assessment Task Force goals in proposing the use of an integrated solid waste system involving source reduction, 60% recycling, bulky waste processing, leaf, grass and food waste composting, incineration and landfilling. As part of this system, the use of a regional incinerator employing state-of-the-art environmental safeguards is consistent with the Task Force goals and statewide solid waste policy. Finally, as noted in Section C. despite the fact that in-state back up capacity has been identified, both Mercer and Atlantic Counties must continue to investigate alternate in-county or in-state disposal capacity for ash and by-pass waste. By copy of this certification the County Freeholders and the MCIA are notified of these comments.

**Issue: Regulatory Requirements**

**Comment:** The Division of Environmental Quality commented that resource recovery facilities and large incinerators are subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:27-5, 7:27-8 and 7:27-18 concerning air pollution.

**Comment:** The Department of Transportation (DOT) commented that all solid waste trucks which will be routed to state or interstate highways shall adhere to the current allowable axle loads.

**Comment:** The DSWM commented that with regard to appendix D, "Blanket Inclusion Policy," there are no application/filing package submission requirements for leaf mulching activities or composting facilities pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.12. Also, the DSWM commented that Article 1 of the Regional Agreement defines acceptable waste. As written, the term recycled materials is used. This definition should read, "Acceptable waste shall include recyclable materials."

**Response:** By copy of this certification, the County Freeholders and the MCIA are notified of the above mentioned regulatory provisions for solid waste facilities and truck routes that must be met prior to operating the facilities pursuant to the comments of DEQ and DOT. Although there are no application/filing package submission requirements for leaf mulching activities or composting facilities pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.12, Mercer County may require additional information in considering a site for inclusion in the County Plan. By copy of this certification, the County Freeholders and the MCIA are notified of the above mentioned comments, regulations and responses.

**Issue: Solid Waste Assessment Task Force Requirements**

**Comment:** The DSWM submitted numerous comments which are further outlined below:

- a. **Procurement Strategies** - Information concerning the procurement approach used by the County in contracting for recycling services should be described in order for the Department to assure that competition was, and will be, encouraged while the expansion in the recycling effort occurs.
- b. **Marketing** - A schedule should be provided to address the continued development of marketing programs for the County's recyclables.
- c. **Education Programs** - The County Plan should include additional details and schedules regarding the expansion of existing education programs, associated timeframes and the scope of activities. Program specifics should be addressed within a subsequent plan amendment and address educational/promotional needs in the area of source reduction, recycling procurement of recycled products, household hazardous waste management and County/municipal enforcement. The education strategy should also consider approaches necessary to reach different sectors of the County, including individuals, commercial establishments, industry and community groups.
- d. **Designated Recovery Targets** - Although the County has identified annual goals toward reaching a 60% recycling rate for the total solid waste stream and a 50% recycling rate for the municipal waste stream,

including yard waste, by December 31, 1995, the County Plan should also provide targets for individual recyclables. In addition, the county should attempt to exceed these rates.

e. **General Comments** - In addition to the above comments regarding the County's amendment, the DSWM identified additional areas of source reduction and recycling planning which should be given further consideration by the County. These areas are as follows:

1. Provide a schedule for the development of per container rate systems on a pilot project basis;
2. Amend the plan to incorporate an explicit ban on the acceptance of designated recyclable materials at transfer stations, landfills and incinerators within Mercer County;
3. Expand the existing service station collection of used motor oil to identify a network of County or municipally sponsored collection sites. The feasibility of incorporating used oil collection into curbside collection programs of recyclable materials should also be considered;
4. Development of financial incentive systems for community groups and the private sector to assist in the achievement of the established recycling goals;
5. Modifications to the existing transfer station facility permit to provide for the implementation of recycling activities. This facility was exclusively permitted for the transfer of solid waste;
6. Expand designated recyclables to include brush and wood wastes;
7. Establishment of a guidance document which will be distributed to each municipality in the County and outline a model municipal permit program for construction and demolition activities. Such a municipal permit program would guide construction/demolition work toward maximizing source separation and recycling. The program could also be used to complement the operations of the planned bulky waste processing facility; and
8. Development of plans to participate in Atlantic County's enclosed food waste (type 25) composting facility and design of an effective materials collection and transport system for implementation.

**Response:** As noted in Section C. of this certification, the proposed June 11, 1991 amendment is approved. However, the above mentioned areas of source reduction and recycling should be considered for further refinement by the County as outlined within Section C. in a subsequent plan amendment. Further, staff at the DSWM will be available to discuss the preceding comments and to work with the County to structure the plan amendment submission.

C. Certification of the Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment

I, Scott A. Weiner, Commissioner of the Department, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., specifically N.J.S.A. 13:1E-21, which establishes specific requirements regarding the contents of the district solid waste management plans, have reviewed the June 11, 1991 amendment to the approved County Plan and certify to the County Freeholders that the June 11, 1991 amendment is approved as further specified below.

1. June 11, 1991 Amendment

a. Statement of Solid Waste Disposal Strategy

The inclusion of the Statement of Solid Waste Disposal Strategy for Mercer County as referenced in Section I of Ordinance No. 91-14 of the subject plan amendment is approved. The strategy provides for source reduction (inclusive of waste audits, procurement, yard waste management, per container charges, education and small quantity generator program), composting (including an inventory of existing and proposed facilities by municipality), 60% recycling (including designation of additional materials, marketing strategy, program enforcement, tonnage targets and education programs), regionalization (including the Mercer/Atlantic agreement), and landfilling (including the Mercer County, Waste Management and G.R.O.W.S. landfill agreement).

In addition, a major component of the disposal strategy relies on an existing contract signed on February 17, 1988 between Mercer County, G.R.O.W.S. and Waste Management for the disposal of 4.5 million tons of Mercer County's solid waste for a period of up to 25 years. Similarly, Atlantic County signed an agreement effective August 1990 for the disposal of 2.0 million tons of Atlantic County's waste for a period not to exceed 10 years. Further, the disposal strategy proposes use of the Trenton Sludge Lagoons landfill and the ACUA landfill (if permitted) to serve as backup disposal capacity for ash residue and by-pass waste if the G.R.O.W.S. landfill becomes unavailable for disposal. While both Mercer and Atlantic Counties currently dispose of all of their nonrecyclable solid waste at the G.R.O.W.S. landfill and intend to dispose of only by-pass and ash waste following operation of the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility, self-sufficiency continues to be the policy of the State of New Jersey. As a result, both Mercer and Atlantic Counties must continue to investigate alternate primary in-county or in-state disposal capacity for ash and by-pass waste. All landfill contracts shall be made to conform with this directive.

Further, although the expansion of the County's proposed resource recovery facility from 975 tons per day to 1,450 TPD is approved, as noted in Section B, the DSWM expects that waste flow projections in the pending permit application and service agreement will reflect a



60% recycling rate. This information will be considered during the technical review of the application. The proposal for a facility of increased capacity must meet both the requirement of solid waste and air permits as well as be supported by sufficient waste flow on a regional basis.

**b. Interdistrict Agreement between Mercer County and Atlantic County**

The inclusion of the concepts set forth within the interdistrict agreement of August 23, 1991 between the Mercer County Improvement Authority and Atlantic County Utilities Authority as previously outlined in Sections A. and B. are approved. While the basic provisions of the interdistrict agreement are herein approved, specific elements of the proposal, such as tariff rates, facility and operations financing, etc. are subject to regulatory submission requirements applicable to Mercer and Atlantic Counties and review and subsequent action by the Department. Further, the solid waste flow component of the plan amendment which is included within the interdistrict agreement is also approved as summarized below, but is subject to revision and clarification during waste flow rulemaking.

All processible solid waste type 10 generated from within all of the municipalities in Mercer and Atlantic Counties (after composting and recycling) shall be directed to the proposed Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility located in Hamilton Township, Mercer County for disposal.

All solid waste type 13 generated from within all of the municipalities in Mercer and Atlantic Counties shall be directed to the ACUA bulky waste recycling facility located in Egg Harbor Township for processing commencing on or about January 1, 1992 and no later than the commencement of operations of the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility. All residue generated from the bulky waste recycling facility shall be disposed of at the ACUA bulky waste limited use landfill located at the same site in Egg Harbor Township, Atlantic County.

All solid waste type 23 generated from within all of the municipalities in Mercer County shall be directed to the proposed ACUA compost facility located in Egg Harbor Township, Atlantic County only to the extent that capacity in Mercer County cannot accommodate the waste for composting.

All solid waste type 25 generated from within all the municipalities in Mercer and Atlantic Counties shall be directed to the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility located in Hamilton Township, Mercer County (to the extent permitted by applicable licenses and approvals) and to the extent not permitted, to be disposed of by the County generating such waste as noted in Section B. of this certification.

Additionally, all ash residue from the Mercer County Resource Recovery Facility and by-pass waste will be directed to the G.R.O.W.S. landfill in Pennsylvania. However, in the event that the G.R.O.W.S. landfill becomes unavailable for disposal of ash residue and by-pass waste, the Trenton Sludge Lagoons landfill (if permitted) and the ACUA landfill (if permitted) will serve as backup disposal capacity.

Mercer and Atlantic Counties shall investigate the feasibility of processing Mercer County recyclable materials at the ACUA Recycling Center to the extent economically viable.

**c. Recycling Plan Update in Response to the Task Force Final Report**

The inclusion in the plan of an update to Mercer County's previously approved recycling plan for the purpose of achieving recycling rates of 60% of the total waste stream and 50% of the municipal waste stream by December 31, 1995 is approved. In this regard, the County Plan has been reviewed to determine whether the plan fulfills the recommendations of the Emergency Solid Waste Assessment Task Force Final Report accepted by the Governor on November 16, 1990. As adopted, the County Plan has adequately addressed the source reduction, recycling and regionalization components of the Task Force Report. However, the County is encouraged to continue to submit subsequent plan amendments to achieve even higher recycling rates and to expand upon existing programs and strategies as new technologies, facilities and markets become available. The County should also consider the comments referenced in Section B.2. to further refine the approved source reduction and recycling plan.

**d. Recycling Facility Plan Inclusion**

The inclusion in the plan of the Mercer Wrecking Recycling Corporation located at Block 230 E, Lots 290, 292, 298, 176 and Block 225A, Lot 9 in the City of Trenton as a construction and demolition recycling facility and state approved market for C&D materials is approved. The facility will process 2,400 tons per week of concrete, stone, brick, cinder block, and asphalt and 300 tons per week of wood waste.

**e. Method of Finance**

The inclusion of the Mercer County method of finance as described in Section 2 of Ordinance No. 91-14 is approved. As adopted, the method of finance to be used for various facilities to be constructed or acquired by the MCIA or other appropriate County agency for solid waste disposal utilizes long-term bonds amortized over a period consistent with the useful lives of the facilities constituting parts of the County solid waste system.

2. Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan Deficiency

The entire County Plan, including this amendment, has been reviewed to determine whether the plan fulfills the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 3:1E-21. The result of that review is as follows:

N.J.S.A. 13:1E-21b(4) requires a survey of proposed collection districts and transportation routes with projected transportation costs from collection districts to existing or available suitable sites for solid waste disposal facilities.

As noted in the Department's certification of the July 25, 1989 amendment to the County Plan, the County has submitted a study summarizing transportation routes and costs to the proposed resource recovery facility site to the Department. However, subject to the Mercer/Atlantic interdistrict agreement, revised transportation routes and costs have not been submitted to the Department. Therefore, pending Mercer County's delineation of these final routes within an adopted plan amendment, I find the Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan to remain deficient with regard to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-21b(4).

D. Other Provisions Affecting the Plan Amendment

1. Contracts

Any contract renewal or new contract for solid waste collection or disposal which is inconsistent with this amendment to the County Plan and which was executed prior to the approval of this amendment and subsequent to the effective date of the Solid Waste Management Act (July 29, 1977), and which shall further be for a term in excess of one year, shall immediately be renegotiated in order to bring same into conformance with the terms and provisions herein set forth. Any solid waste collection operation or disposal facility registered by the Department and operating pursuant to a contract as herein described, shall be deemed to be in violation of this amendment and of the County Plan if such renegotiation is not completed within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this amendment provided, however, that any such registrant may, upon application to the Department, and for good cause shown, obtain an extension of time to complete such renegotiation.

2. Compliance

All solid waste facility operators and transporters registered with the Department and operating within the County and affected by the amendment contained herein shall operate in compliance with this amendment and all other approved provisions of the County Plan. Any facility operator or transporter who fails to comply with the provisions contained herein shall be deemed to be in violation of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26-1 et seq., and in violation of their registration to operate a solid waste facility or a collection system issued thereunder by the Department and shall be subject to the provisions and penalties of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-9 and 12 and all other applicable laws.

3. Types of Solid Wastes Covered by the District Solid Waste Management Plan

The provisions of the County Plan shall apply to all solid wastes defined in N.J.S.A. 13:1E-3 and N.J.A.C. 7:26-2.13 and shall not apply to liquid wastes, sewage sludge, septage, and hazardous wastes. All nonhazardous materials separated at the point of generation for sale or reuse are excluded from the waste flows designated in the Interdistrict and Intradistrict Solid Waste Flow Rules set forth at N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.

4. Certification to Proceed with the Implementation of the Plan Amendment

This document shall serve as the certification of the Commissioner of the Department to the County Freeholders and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24c and f, the County shall proceed with the implementation of the approved amendment certified herein.

5. Definitions

For the purpose of this amendment and unless the context clearly requires a different meaning, the definitions of terms shall be the same as those found at N.J.S.A. 13:1E-3 and -99.12 and N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.4 and -2.13.

6. Effective Date of the Amendment

The amendment to the County Plan contained herein shall take effect immediately.

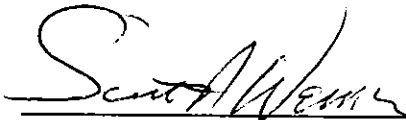
7. Reservation of Authority

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a limitation on any other action taken by the Department pursuant to its authority under the law. The County Plan, including any amendment made thereto, shall conform with the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan. The Department has published a Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan, with appendices, which includes the Department's planning guidelines, rules, regulations, orders of the Department, interdistrict and intradistrict waste flow rules, and also includes the compilation of individual district plans and amendments as they are approved.

E. Certification of Approval of the Amendment and Notification of Deficiency by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy

In accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., I hereby approve the amendment, as outlined in Section C. of this certification, to the Mercer County District Solid Waste Management Plan which was adopted by the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders on June 11, 1991. I hereby also require the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders, as indicated in Section C., to address the noted deficiency.

12-6-91  
DATE

  
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