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Richard S. Dovey, President Atlantic County Utilities Authority 6700 Delilah Road Egg Harbor Twp., NJ 08234

Dear Mr. Dovey:

The Department of Environmental Protection's Solid and Hazardous Waste Program is in receipt of the February 5, 2008 request for an administrative action to the Atlantic County Solid Waste Management Plan (County Plan). This administrative action proposes to include a Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) project to be conducted by the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA) at their existing compost facility located at Block 703, Lot 5, in Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey. Specifically, the ACUA will install a covered positive aeration composting system that will optimize the composting process, control odors, and create a consistent process unaffected by outside environmental conditions.

Pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 7:26-6.11(b) 13., the inclusion of the operation of a RD&D project pursuant <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 7:26-1.7 constitutes an approvable administration action. Therefore, this request is hereby approved as an administrative action pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 7:26-6.11(f).

Please be advised that this administrative action approval shall not be construed as an expression of the Department's intent to issue a permit modification to the subject facility for the above noted operational changes.

If you have any questions relative to this action, please contact Najwa N. Ali of my staff at (609) 984-9773 or email at <u>Najwa.Ali@dep.state.nj.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Guy Watson, Chief Bureau of Recycling and Planning