

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Protection de la nature et des Parcs

AMENDED ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

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Tomlinson Environmental Services Ltd.

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Site Location: 2069 Joyceville Road

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Kingston City, County of Frontenac

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You have applied under section 20.2 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19 (Environmental Protection Act) for approval of:

the establishment and operation of a 5.73 hectare Waste Disposal Site (Processing and Transfer) to be used primarily for the composting of solid, non-hazardous waste and includes the following infrastructure:

- a 45 m² 2-storey office building;
- a 1000 m² fully enclosed waste receiving building;
- a 4650 m² compost storage asphalt pad;
- a 750 m² screening area;
- three 68,100 litre (15,000 IG) storage tanks;
- a weigh scale;
- 1200 m² final product storage area; and
- 700 m² wood storage and processing area.

For the purpose of this environmental compliance approval, the following definitions apply:

"Adverse Effect" has the same meaning as defined in the EPA;

"Air Approval" means the environmental compliance approval and any Schedules attached to it, including the application and its supporting documentation for activities set out in section 9 of the EPA and carried out at the Site:

"Approval" means this entire Environmental Compliance Approval and any Schedules attached to it;

"Clean Wood" means natural wood such as tree trunks, tree branches and brush, as well as dimensional lumber that has not been treated, painted, stained, varnished or otherwise contaminated;

"Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.1 of the EPA;

"District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry, where the Site is geographically located;

"EASR" means the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry;

"EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;

"Financial Assurance" is as defined in Section 131 of the EPA;

"Finished Compost" means compost that meets the requirements of Conditions 6.5;

"IG" means imperial gallons;

"Inert Powders" means waste which is in powder form and includes, but is not limited to flour/sugar residues, corn meal, grain wastes, clean gypsum, dough, bread ingredients and cereal ingredients;

"Leaf and Yard Waste" means waste consisting of grass, leaves and other plant materials but not Christmas trees, tree limbs or other woody materials in excess of 7 centimetres in diameter;

"Liquid Industrial Organics" means liquid waste with varying concentrations of biological oxygen demand / carbon oxygen demand suitable for use in the composting process including liquid waste originating from food processing plants such as expired fruit juice, dairy products, food process rinse waters and equivalent;

"Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and OWRA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;

"NMA" means the *Nutrient Management Act*, 2002, S.O. 2002, c. 4;

"OWRA" means the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40;

"O. Reg. 267/03" means Ontario Regulation 267/03: (General), made under the NMA;

"Reg. 347" means R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 347: (General - Waste Management), made under the EPA;

"Operator" means any person, other than the Owner's employees, authorized by the Owner as having the charge, management or control of any aspect of the Site and includes its successors or assigns;

"Owner" means any person that is responsible for the establishment or operation of the Site being approved by

this Approval, and includes Tomlinson Environmental Services Limited, its successors and assigns;

"PA" means the *Pesticides Act*, R.S.O. (1990), c. P.11;

"Provincial Officer" means any person designated in writing by the Minister as a provincial officer pursuant to Section 5 of the OWRA, Section 5 of the EPA, Section 17 of the PA, Section 4 of the NMA, or Section 8 of the SDWA;

"Pulp and Paper Biosolids" means solid or semi-solid residue from the treatment of wastewater from a manufacturer of pulp and paper, recycled paper or products such as corrugated cardboard;

"Rejected Waste" means the load of incoming waste inadvertently received at the Site and deemed by the Owner to contain waste that does not meet the incoming waste quality criteria set out in this Approval or that cannot be processed into a Finished Compost;

"Residual Waste" means waste remaining and/or generated from the processing activities at the Site that is destined for final disposal;

"Sewage Biosolids" means solid or semi-solid residue from the treatment of sewage at a treatment facility licensed under the OWRA;

"Site" means the entire waste disposal site approved under this Approval, located at 2069 Joyceville Road, City of Kingston, County of Frontenac;

"Source Separated Organic Waste" means (i) solid or semi-solid food waste and food soiled paper waste from residential, commercial or institutional kitchens, restaurants and food processing operations, (ii) agricultural waste of vegetable and animal origin and (iii) waste of a similar nature, including waste that is liable to become putrid, rotten or decayed, which has been segregated by the generator;

"Standards Document" means the Ministry's document entitled "Ontario Compost Quality Standards" dated July 25, 2012, as amended and including the following documents to provide operational guidance to accompany the "Ontario Compost Quality Standards":

- Guidance for Generators of Category AA, A, and B Compost and the Ontario Compost Quality Standards Maturity, Effective July 1st, 2015, as amended;
- Guidance for Generators of Category AA, A, and B Compost and the Ontario Compost Quality Standards Foreign Matter, Effective July 1st, 2015, as amended; and
- Guidance for Generators of Category AA, A, and B Compost and the Ontario Compost Quality Standards Sharp Foreign Matter, Effective July 1st, 2015, as amended.

"SDWA" means Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002, S.O. 2002, c. 32;

"Trained Person" means personnel knowledgeable in the following through instruction and/or practice:

- relevant waste management legislation, regulations and guidelines;
- major environmental concerns pertaining to the waste to be handled;
- occupational health and safety concerns pertaining to the wastes to be handled;
- management procedures including the safe and environmentally sound use and operation of equipment from the approved waste management activities;
- procedures for the control of adverse environmental impacts from the approved waste management activities;
- records keeping procedures;
- contingency plan and emergency response procedures;
- specific written procedures for the control of nuisance/upset conditions;
- specific written procedures for refusal of unacceptable waste loads; and
- the requirements of this Approval.

You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Compliance

- 1. The Owner shall ensure compliance with all the conditions of this Approval and shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Site is notified of this Approval and the conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
- 2. Any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Site shall comply with the conditions of this Approval.

2. In Accordance

1. Except as otherwise provided for in this Approval, the Site shall be designed, developed, built, operated and maintained in accordance with the submitted application for this Approval, and the supporting documentation listed in Schedule "A".

3. Interpretation

- 1. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document, including the application, referred to in this Approval, and the conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.
- 2. Where there is a conflict between the application and a provision in any documents listed in Schedule "A", the application shall take precedence, unless it is clear that the purpose of the document was to amend the application and that the Ministry approved the amendment.
- 3. Where there is a conflict between any two documents listed in Schedule "A", other than the application, the document bearing the most recent date shall take precedence.
- 4. The conditions of this Approval are severable. If any condition of this Approval, or the application of any condition of this Approval to any circumstance, is held invalid or unenforceable, the application of such condition to other circumstances and the remainder of this Approval shall not be affected thereby.

4. Other Legal Obligations

- 1. The issuance of, and compliance with, this Approval does not:
 - a. relieve any person of any obligation to comply with any provision of any applicable statute, regulation or other legal requirement; or
 - b. limit in any way the authority of the Ministry to require certain steps be taken or to require the Owner to furnish any further information related to compliance with this Approval.
- 2. Despite an Owner or any other person fulfilling any obligations imposed by this Approval, the person remains responsible for any contravention of any other condition of this Approval or any applicable statute, regulation, or other legal requirement resulting from any act or omission that caused the Adverse Effect or impairment of water quality.
- 3. All wastes at the Site shall be managed and disposed in accordance with the EPA and Reg. 347.
- 4. The Owner shall ensure that:
 - a. all equipment discharging to air operating at the Site are approved under Section 9 of the EPA; and
 - b. all effluent is discharged in accordance with OWRA.

5. Adverse Effect

1. The Site shall be constructed, operated and maintained in a manner which ensures the health and safety of all persons and prevents generation of negative environmental impacts including but not

- limited to dust, odours, vectors, pests, birds, litter, vibration, noise and any other negative environmental effects that may cause an Adverse Effect.
- 2. If at any time dust, including dust from vehicles leaving the Site, odours, vectors, pests, birds, litter, vibration, noise or other such negative environmental effects are generated at the Site and cause an Adverse Effect, the Owner shall take immediate and appropriate remedial action(s) that is/are necessary to alleviate the Adverse Effect, including suspension of all waste management activities and removal of waste from the Site, if necessary.
- 3. The Owner shall take steps to minimize and ameliorate any Adverse Effect on the natural environment or impairment of water quality resulting from the Site, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as may be necessary to determine the nature and extent of the effect or impairment.

6. Change of Ownership

- 1. The Owner shall notify the Director, in writing, and forward a copy of the notification to the District Manager, within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of any changes in:
 - a. the ownership of the Site;
 - b. the Operator of the Site;
 - c. the address of the Owner or Operator;
 - d. the partners, where the Owner is or at any time becomes a partnership and a copy of the most recent declaration filed under the *Business Names Act*, R. S. O. 1990, c. B.17, shall be included in the notification; and
 - e. the name of the corporation where the Owner is or at any time becomes a corporation, other than a municipal corporation, and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.39, as amended, shall be included in the notification.
- 2. No portion of this Site shall be transferred or encumbered prior to or after closing of the Site unless the Director is notified in advance and sufficient Financial Assurance is deposited with the Ministry to ensure that these conditions will be carried out.
- 3. In the event of any change in ownership of the Site, other than change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify the successor of and provide the successor with a copy of this Approval, and a copy of all the documents referenced in Schedule "A", and the Owner shall provide a copy of the notification to the District Manager and the Director.

7. Inspections

1. No person shall hinder or obstruct a Provincial Officer from carrying out any and all inspections authorized by the OWRA, the EPA, the NMA, the SDWA or the PA, of any place to which this

Approval relates, and without limiting the foregoing:

- a. to enter upon the premises where the approved processing is undertaken, or the location where the records required by the conditions of this Approval are kept;
- b. to have access to, inspect, and copy any records required to be kept by the conditions of this Approval;
- c. to inspect the Site, related equipment and appurtenances;
- d. to inspect the practices, procedures, or operations required by the conditions of this Approval;
- e. to conduct interviews with staff, contractors, agents and assignees of the Owner; and
- f. to sample and monitor for the purposes of assessing compliance with the terms and conditions of this Approval or the EPA, the NMA, the SDWA, the OWRA or the PA.

8. Information and Record Retention

- 1. Any information requested by the Ministry, concerning the Site and its operation under this Approval, including but not limited to any records required to be kept by this Approval shall be provided to the Ministry, upon request, in a timely manner and in a format specified by the Ministry. All records shall be retained for two (2) years except as otherwise authorized in writing by the Director.
- 2. The receipt of any information by the Ministry or the failure of the Ministry to prosecute any person or to require any person to take any action, under this Approval or under any statute, regulation or other legal requirement, in relation to the information, shall not be construed as:
 - a. an approval, waiver, or justification by the Ministry of any act or omission of any person that contravenes any term or condition of this Approval or any statute, regulation or other legal requirement; or
 - b. acceptance by the Ministry of the information's completeness or accuracy.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that a copy of this Approval, in its entirety and including all its Notices of Amendment, and all documentation listed in Schedule "A", are retained at the Site at all times.
- 4. Any information relating to this Approval and contained in Ministry files may be made available to the public in accordance with the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.O. 1990, C. F-31.

2. FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

1. Within twenty (20) days of the issuance of this Approval, the Owner shall provide additional Financial Assurance, as defined in Section 131 of the EPA, to the amount of \$412,703.00, to increase the total

Financial Assurance for the Site to \$645,677.00. The Financial Assurance shall be in a form acceptable to the Director and shall provide sufficient funds for the analysis, transportation, Site clean-up, monitoring and disposal of all quantities of waste on-site at any one time.

- 2. Commencing on April 1, 2030 and at intervals of every five (5) years thereafter, the Owner shall submit to the Director, a re-evaluation of the amount of Financial Assurance to implement the actions required under Condition 2.1. The re-evaluation shall include an assessment based on any new information relating to the environmental conditions of the Site and shall include the costs of additional monitoring and/or implementation of contingency plans required by the Director upon review of the closure plan and annual reports. The Financial Assurance must be submitted to the Director within ten (10) days of written acceptance of the re-evaluation by the Director.
- 3. The amount of Financial Assurance is subject to review at any time by the Director and may be amended at his/her discretion. If any Financial Assurance is scheduled to expire or notice is received, indicating Financial Assurance will not be renewed, and satisfactory methods have not been made to replace the Financial Assurance at least sixty (60) days before the Financial Assurance terminates, the Financial Assurance shall forthwith be replaced by cash.

3. GENERAL SITE OPERATIONS

1. Service Area and Hours of Operation

- 1. The Site is approved to operate within the following operating hours, subject to limitations of the local municipal by-laws:
 - a. operations other than receipt and transfer/shipping may occur 24 hours per day, 7 days per week;
 - b. the Site may receive and transfer/ship between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Saturday; and
 - c. in the event of an emergency, the Site may receive or transfer outside of the hours specified in Condition 3.1.1.b. with notification of the District Manager.
- 2. Only waste that is generated within the geographical boundaries of the Province of Ontario may be accepted at the Site.

2. Signage and Security

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that the Site is operated and maintained in a secure manner.
- 2. The Owner shall limit access to and from the Site to the hours of operation as listed in Condition 3.1.1.b. and when the Site is supervised by a Trained Person.
- 3. Outside of the hours of operation as listed in Condition 3.1.1.b., the Owner shall ensure that the Site entrance/exit gates are locked and the Site is secured against access by unauthorized persons.

- 4. A sign shall be installed and maintained at the entrance/exit to the Site on which is legibly displayed the following information:
 - a. the name of the Site and Owner;
 - b. the number of the Approval;
 - c. the hours of operation when the Site is open to receive waste;
 - d. waste types that are approved to be accepted at the Site;
 - e. the telephone number to which complaints may be directed;
 - f. a twenty-four (24) hour emergency telephone number (if different from above);
 - g. a warning against unauthorized access; and
 - h. a warning against dumping at the Site.
- 5. The Owner shall ensure that appropriate signs are posted at the Site clearly identifying the waste and stating warnings about the nature of the waste and any possible hazards.
- 6. The Owner shall install and maintain appropriate and visible signs at the Site to direct vehicles to the waste receiving and waste removal areas.

3. Site Inspections

- 1. If not already complete, within thirty (30) days from the issuance of this Approval or as acceptable to the District Manager, the Owner shall prepare a comprehensive written inspection program which includes procedures for inspections of all aspects of the Site operations, including the following:
 - a. waste loading/unloading/storage/processing areas including the condition of the waste receiving building and its ventilation system and the air pollution control equipment;
 - b. condition of all major pieces of the equipment;
 - c. condition of all instruments for monitoring required under this Approval;
 - d. security fence and property line;
 - e. presence of excessive fugitive dust emissions from the operation of the Site;
 - f. presence of the on and off-Site litter;
 - g. presence of vector and vermin;

- h. presence of off-Site odours; and
- i. condition of run-off drainage, collection and storage facilities.
- 2. The inspection program shall be updated, as required, shall be retained at the Site and be made available for inspection by a Provincial Officer, upon request.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that the required Site inspections are undertaken daily by the Trained Personnel in accordance with the applicable inspection program to ensure that all equipment and facilities at the Site are maintained in good working order at all times and that no off-Site impacts are occurring. Any deficiencies detected during these regular inspections must be promptly corrected.

4. Spare Parts

- 1. The Owner shall prepare a list of critical spare parts and update this list annually or more frequently, if necessary, to ensure that this list is maintained up to date. The list shall be retained at the Site and be made available for inspection by a Provincial Officer, upon request.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that the critical spare parts are available at the Site at all times or be immediately available from an off-Site supplier or as acceptable to the District Manager.

5. Maintenance

1. The Owner shall develop and implement a preventative maintenance program for all on-Site equipment associated with the processing and managing of waste, Finished Compost and control of fugitive odour and dust emissions. The preventative maintenance program shall be available on Site for inspection by a Provincial Officer upon request.

6. Stormwater Management

- 1. The Site shall be graded and/or constructed and maintained in good order such that surface water runoff is diverted away from waste areas and the Site remains free of any accumulation of water from rain and snow.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that all stormwater run-off and/or leachate from and waste management activity carried out at the Site is not discharged into the municipal drains, or any other natural drain or watercourse unless approved by the Ministry. Stormwater run-off and/or leachate shall be managed in accordance with the approval issued under Section 53 of the OWRA.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that leachate from the composting operation is collected and re-used in the composting process or disposed as waste. All discharges from this Site, including sanitary and stormwater run-off, shall be managed in accordance with appropriate municipal, provincial and/or federal legislation, regulation and by-laws.

7. Nuisance Control

1. The Site shall be operated and maintained such that the vermin, vectors, dust, litter, odour, vibration, noise and traffic do not create a nuisance.

2. The Owner shall:

- a. implement necessary housekeeping procedures to eliminate sources of attraction for vermin and vectors; and
- b. hire a qualified, licensed pest control professional to design and implement a pest control plan for the Site. The pest control plan shall remain in place, and be updated from time to time as necessary, until the Site has been closed and this Approval has been revoked.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that there is no queuing or parking of vehicles that are waiting to enter this Site on any roadway that is not a distinct part of the Site.
- 4. The Owner shall ensure that the exterior of all vehicles leaving this Site are clear of debris and that vehicles do not drag, drip or leak out onto streets waste, dirt, wastewater or other contaminants.
- 5. The Owner shall ensure that the interior of all trucks delivering Source Separated Organic Waste, or other odourous waste are cleaned within the confines of the waste receiving building prior to leaving the Site, as required, to prevent odours. Any truck wash water generated at the Site shall be collected and managed as leachate.
- 6. Should the Owner become aware that a vehicle delivering waste to the Site has leaked wastewater on the municipal roadways, the Owner shall immediately report the violation to the owner of the vehicle(s).
- 7. The Owner shall ensure that vehicles transporting waste and Finished Compost from the Site are appropriately covered as they depart the Site, so that fugitive dust or odour emissions are minimized during the transport to their next destination.
- 8. The Owner shall take all practical steps to prevent the escape of litter from the Site. Periodic pick-up of litter at the Site and along the public road in the vicinity of the Site shall be carried out as required, or weekly as a minimum.
- 9. The Owner shall take all practical steps to minimize the amount of dust generated by Site activities including, but not limited to paving areas used by trucks and machinery, use of slow speed shredders, wetting of materials to be shredded or screened and shredding indoors as required.
- 10. The Owner shall submit to the District Manager, no less than ninety (90) days from the issuance of this Approval, an Odour Management Plan that includes measures to minimize off-Site odour impacts, triggers and contingency plans. The approved Odour Management Plan shall be reviewed on an annual basis and updated if necessary.

- 11. To prevent odours the Owner shall ensure that:
 - a. the odour control equipment is fully operational at all times that waste is present inside the building;
 - b. no equipment or storage container that has been in contact with odourous waste is kept outside, unless they have been washed to prevent odours;
 - c. a negative air pressure within the waste receiving building is maintained and the air from the waste receiving building is exhausted through an appropriate air pollution control equipment, as required by the Air Approval;
 - d. the window(s) and doors of the waste receiving building are kept closed at all times except to permit the entry or exit of persons, waste and/or processing/maintenance/waste transport equipment; and
 - e. process equipment and the receiving floor area are regularly cleaned to control sources of potential odours.
- 12. If at any time odours are generated at the Site resulting in complaints, the Owner shall take appropriate remedial actions immediately to eliminate the cause of the problem. Appropriate measures may include the removal of waste from the Site and temporary stoppage of all operations until the problem has been rectified and measures have been undertaken to prevent future occurrence.
- 13. The Owner shall maintain a vegetative buffer to provide a visual screen and/or in accordance with municipal requirements and standards.

4. APPROVED WASTE TYPES AND PROCESSES

1. Approved Waste Streams

- 1. This Site is approved to accept non-hazardous waste generated by residential, commercial, industrial or institutional sources located in Ontario limited to:
 - a. Source Separated Organic Waste;
 - b. Leaf and Yard Waste;
 - c. food waste;
 - d. Inert Powders;
 - e. Clean Wood;

- f. Sewage Biosolids, Pulp and Paper Biosolids and manure;
- g. unpainted, clean gypsum; and
- h. Liquid Industrial Organics.
- 2. This Site is prohibited from accepting hazardous waste, contaminated soils, hauled sewage (as defined by Reg. 347) and any other waste not approved in advance by the Director.
- 3. In the event that waste that is not approved under this Approval is inadvertently accepted at the Site, the Owner shall ensure that all unapproved waste:
 - a. is segregated from all other waste;
 - b. is stored in a way that ensures that no Adverse Effects result from such storage;
 - c. is removed from the Site in accordance with Reg. 347 and the EPA; and
 - d. is removed from the Site within three (3) days of its receipt, or as acceptable to the District Manager.
- 4. The Owner shall only accept the incoming waste that has been transported to the Site by haulers approved by the Ministry, or registered on the EASR, as required.
- 5. The Owner shall ensure that only wastes approved under this Approval and of acceptable quality are received at this Site by:
 - a. screening waste generators and their waste streams and limiting the receipt of waste from approved waste generators only;
 - b. establishing and implementing a waste screening and tracking system for all waste received, processed, stored at and transferred from the Site;
 - c. visually inspecting all incoming waste loads and verifying accompanying documentation including waste characterization and waste source documentation;
 - d. immediately rejecting any waste which does not comply with this Approval or is of unacceptable quality and/or quantity; and
 - e. verifying the quality of waste through an on-going testing program as required.

2. Approved Processing Activities

1. Processing activities approved for this Site are limited to:

- a. the receipt of waste approved in Condition 4.1.1;
- b. composting of waste approved in Condition 4.1.1 to make Category AA and/or Category A compost as defined by the Standards Document. Composting operations include any pre-treatment or blending required to achieve optimal composting conditions, composting in mechanically aerated windrows covered with wood chips and post-composting activities required to make a saleable compost product including the screening and blending of finished product with clean soil or other amendment material;
- c. mechanical size reduction of Clean Wood;
- d. transfer of any waste stream approved in Condition 4.1.1, without further processing, to a waste disposal site approved for the receipt of that waste stream; and
- e. use and operation of the depackager described in Item 16 of Schedule "A" within the waste receiving building, or upon notification to the Director and District Manager, a like-for-like substitution of the approved depackaging equipment.

5. APPROVED WASTE QUANTITIES

1. Approved Quantities for Composting Operation

- 1. This Site is approved to receive:
 - a maximum combined total of 200 tonnes per day, averaged over a three hundred and sixty five (365) day period of Source Separated Organic Waste, food waste, Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids, manure and Inert Powders;
 - b. a maximum combined total of 200 tonnes per day, averaged over a three hundred and sixty five (365) day period of Leaf and Yard Waste and Clean Wood;
 - c. a maximum combined total of all waste types shall not exceed 1,000 tonnes on any given day; and
 - d. a maximum of 68,100 litres (15,000 IG) of Liquid Industrial Organics per day.
- 2. Notwithstanding Condition 5.1.1, this Site is approved to receive a maximum of 40,000 tonnes per year combined of Source Separated Organic Waste, food waste, Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids, manure, Inert Powders, Leaf and Yard Waste and Clean Wood.
- 3. The maximum amount of waste associated with the composting operation, including waste undergoing composting and compost in the curing phase shall not exceed 20,000 tonnes.
- 4. The maximum amount of Finished Compost and any soil amendments (e.g. peat) stored on Site shall not exceed 10,000 tonnes at any one time.

- 5. Leachate shall be collected and stored in designated concrete tank(s) equipped with devices to prevent overfilling. A maximum of 200,000 litres of leachate and Liquid Industrial Organics may be stored on Site at any one time.
- 6. In the event that Finished Compost and/or Residual Waste cannot be transferred from the Site, the Owner shall cease accepting additional waste and shall ensure the total amount on Site does not exceed the maximum quantities approved under Condition 5.1.3, Condition 5.1.4, and Condition 5.3.2.
- 7. In the event that the storage tanks have reached 85% capacity, the Owner shall cease accepting additional Liquid Industrial Organics and ensure compliance with the maximum storage limits approved in Condition 5.1.5.

2. Other

- 1. Any increases to the amount of waste received at this Site requires an amendment of this Approval including a re-evaluation of the Financial Assurance required by Condition 2.1.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that the amount of Residual Waste that may be stored on Site does not exceed 50 tonnes. Residual Waste shall be stored on asphalt and transferred from the Site as soon as practicable.
 - a. Residual Waste storage may increase to 150 tonnes following construction of the approved stormwater management works issued under Section 53 of the OWRA.
- 3. Rejected Waste shall be stored within the waste receiving building and be shipped off-Site within ninety (90) days.
- 4. Should there be odour emissions causing public complaint or Adverse Effects that have been deemed to be associated with the storage of the Residual or Rejected Waste, the Residual or Rejected Waste shall be immediately removed from the Site.
- 5. All waste removed from the Site shall be transferred only to a Ministry approved facility or a facility approved to accept such waste by an appropriate government agency of equivalent jurisdiction.

6. COMPOSTING OPERATION

1. Waste Receipt and Storage Duration

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that all waste, except Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids and manure, Clean Wood and Leaf and Yard Waste is:
 - a. received and pre-treated/blended indoors; and
 - b. incorporated into windrows within 48 hours.

- 2. Waste, except Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids, manure, Clean Wood and Leaf and Yard Waste, which cannot be incorporated into windrows within 48 hours shall be:
 - a. stored indoors for a maximum of 72 hours or until the volume of waste reaches 150 tonnes, whichever comes sooner; and
 - b. shall be covered with an odour controlling amendment (e.g. wood chips).
- 3. Clean Wood may be received and stored outdoors in a segregated, designated drop-off area for a period of up to six (6) months.
- 4. Leaf and Yard Waste may be received and stored outdoors, in a segregated, designated drop-off area for a period of up to ninety (90) days and in accordance with the requirements of the local Fire Department and Item 17 of Schedule "A".
- 5. Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids and manure shall be received indoors and incorporated into windrows on the day of receipt.
- 6. Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids and manure which can not be incorporated into windrows on the day of receipt, must not be accepted, or if already accepted, must be removed from the Site the same day.
- 7. If, in the opinion of the District Manager, the approved waste storage duration results in odour complaint(s), the Owner, in consultation with the District Manager, shall undertake appropriate steps, including reducing waste storage duration and/or removing waste from the Site, so that odour complaint(s) are eliminated.
- 8. The Owner shall ensure that no outside waste storage other than as approved under this Approval is carried out.
- 9. The Owner shall ensure that all waste storage is undertaken in a manner that does not cause an Adverse Effect or a hazard to the environment or any person.

2. Feedstock Quality Control

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that:
 - a. feedstock intended for the production of Category AA compost shall not contain metals in excess of the limits listed in Column 2, Table 3.2 of the Standards Document;
 - b. feedstock intended for the production of Category A compost shall not contain metals in excess of limits listed in Column 3, Table 3.2 of the Standards Document; and
 - c. feedstock suitable only for Category A compost production shall be kept separate from other feedstock.

- 2. The Owner shall conduct quality control monitoring of feedstock as follows:
 - a. all new sources of waste shall be screened for suitability as compost feedstock and shall be sampled and analysed, as required, for the metals criteria listed in Table 3.2 of the Standards Document to provide a baseline measurement of the chemical content of the waste and to determine its suitability as either Category AA or Category A compost feedstock; and
 - b. periodically and no less than annually, the Owner shall collect random samples of waste from each generator and confirm adherence to Table 3.2 of the Standards Document and suitability as either Category AA or Category A compost feedstock.

3. Operating Parameters

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that:
 - a. the feedstock is blended to achieve a carbon to nitrogen ratio of between 25:1 and 35:1, with a target of 30:1;
 - b. Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the composting process occurs in aerated windrows covered by wood chips as described in the documents in the attached Schedule "A";
 - c. Phase 3 of the composting process occurs in aerated windrows, which may be covered or uncovered:
 - d. during Phase 1, the composting mass is held at a temperature of between 55 °C and 65 °C for a minimum of 72 consecutive hours to reduce pathogens;
 - e. outside of the pathogen reduction period, the composting mass is held at approximately 45 °C;
 - f. the oxygen content of the composting mass is held between 12-18%, with a minimum of 10% and the moisture content is maintained between 45% and 55% at all times;
 - g. the composting mass is monitored for temperature and oxygen content on a daily basis;
 - h. the air flow velocity to the windrows is monitored on a continuous basis; and
 - i. the compost mass in the curing phase is mechanically turned at least monthly and monitored for temperature, moisture and oxygen content at least weekly.

4. Cross-Contamination Prevention

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that:
 - a. composting mass which has completed the pathogen reduction period is kept separate from feedstock and composting mass which has not completed the pathogen reduction period in order

to prevent re-innoculation of the composting mass with pathogens;

- b. composting mass which is intended as Category AA finished compost shall be kept separate from composting mass intended as Category A finished compost. Windrows, curing piles and piles of Finished Compost must be clearly labelled as to their category of compost at all times;
- c. equipment used to handle composting mass that has not completed the pathogen reduction period shall be thoroughly cleaned before being used to handle composting mass that has completed pathogen reduction to prevent re-innoculation. Alternatively, equipment can be dedicated for exclusive use for before and after the pathogen reduction period; and
- d. equipment used to handle composting mass intended for Category A finished compost shall be thoroughly cleaned before being used to handle composting mass intended for Category AA finished compost. Alternatively, equipment can be dedicated for exclusive use for each category of Finished Compost.

5. Finished Compost Quality

- 1. The composting mass is considered to be Finished Compost when:
 - a. it has completed Phase 1, 2 and 3 of the composting process;
 - b. during Phase 1, it had reached the pathogen reduction temperature for a minimum of 72 consecutive hours;
 - c. it has cured for a minimum of 21 days;
 - d. it does not exceed 1000 CFU E. coli or MPN/g total solids (on a dry weight basis);
 - e. it does not exceed 3 MPN Salmonella/4 g total solids (on a dry weight basis); and
 - f. it has a respiration rate that is either less than or equal to, 400 mg of O₂/kg of volatile solids (on a dry weight basis) per hour; or less than or equal to 4 mg C in the form of CO₂/g of organic matter (on a dry weight basis) per day.

2. Category AA finished compost:

- a. shall not contain metals in excess of the concentrations listed in Column 2, Table 3.1 of the Standards Document;
- b. shall not contain foreign matter or sharp foreign matter in excess of the maximum concentrations listed in Table 3.3 of the Standards Document; and
- c. shall not contain any Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids or manure.

- 3. Category A finished compost:
 - a. shall not contain metals in excess of the concentrations listed in Column 3, Table 3.1 of the Standards Document;
 - b. shall not contain foreign matter or sharp foreign matter in excess of the concentrations listed in Table 3.3 of the Standards Document; and
 - c. shall not contain Pulp and Paper Biosolids, Sewage Biosolids and/or manure in excess of 25% by dry weight of the feedstock blend.

6. Finished Compost Quality Control Monitoring

- 1. The Owner shall conduct quality control monitoring of Finished Compost in accordance with Appendix 1 of the Standards Document. More specifically:
 - a. a minimum of 12 composite samples of Finished Compost per year, with an addition 4 composite samples of Category A finished compost per year, shall be collected and analyzed for the parameters listed in Condition 6.5;
 - b. sample size, collection frequency and collection location shall be in accordance with the Standards Document; and
 - c. in the event that a sample fails to meet the Standards Document for metals or pathogens, the Owner shall collect additional samples until a minimum of four (4) consecutive samples from the batch in question meet the criteria, and the arithmetic mean of all samples meets Table 3.1 of the Standards Document.
- 2. Prior to the transfer of Finished Compost from the Site, the Owner shall conduct a review of the data associated with the batch of compost, which shall include as a minimum:
 - a. analytical results, if any, of the waste used as feedstock;
 - b. temperature readings and residency times achieved during the composting process;
 - c. review of pathogen stability and oxygen uptake test results; and
 - d. analytical results of the Finished Compost.
- 3. In the event that the Finished Compost does not meet the pathogen parameters of the Standards Document, or if the temperature readings and residency times were not achieved during the composting process, the Owner may incorporate the compost back into the composting process at the pre-processing stage.
- 4. In the event that the Finished Compost does not meet the foreign matter criteria of the Standards Document, the Owner may re-screen the compost until such time as the foreign matter criteria are

met. Alternatively, the Owner may transfer the compost from the Site as a waste in accordance with Reg. 347.

7. Finished Compost End Use

- 1. Finished Compost that meets Category AA requirements of the Standards Document is exempt from Part V of the EPA and Reg. 347 and may be transferred from the Site without restrictions.
- 2. Finished Compost that meets Category A requirements of the Standards Document is exempt from Part V of the EPA and Reg. 347 and may be transferred from the Site subject to the labelling requirements of the Standards Document.
- 3. In the event that the Finished Compost does not meet the requirements of the Standards Document for either Category AA or Category A compost, but meets all the requirements of the Standards Document for Category B compost, the Owner may transfer the compost from the Site as Category B compost in accordance with approvals for transportation and management as a waste, in accordance with Part V of the EPA and Reg. 347, or as a nutrient in accordance with O. Reg. 267/03 under the NMA.

7. EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING

1. Spill Response and Reporting

- 1. The Owner shall promptly take all necessary steps to contain and clean up any spills which result from this operation.
- 2. The Owner shall forthwith notify the Ministry's Spills Action Centre at 1-800-268-6060 of any spill, as defined in the EPA, which occurs at this Site. In addition, the Owner shall submit to the District Manager a written report within five (5) days outlining the nature of the spill, remedial measure taken and the measures taken to prevent future occurrences at this Site.

2. Emergency Response

- 1. The Owner shall put in place the emergency response plan referenced as Item 11 in Schedule "A".
- 2. A copy of the emergency response plan shall be kept in a central location available to all staff. A copy shall be made available to Ministry staff upon request and to the local municipality and the local Fire Department, if requested.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that the equipment and materials outlined in the emergency response plan are in a good state of repair, fully operational and immediately available.
- 4. The Owner shall review the emergency response plan on an annual basis at a minimum. In particular, the Owner shall ensure that the contact information listed in the Emergency Contact List in the document referenced as Item 8 in Schedule "A" is up-to-date.

5. Any updates to the emergency response plan shall be prepared in consultation with the District Manager. The Owner shall also invite the local municipality and the local Fire Department to provide input and/or comments into preparation of the emergency response and plan. Written approval of the updated emergency response plan from the local Fire Department shall be provided to the District Office.

3. Contingency Plan

- 1. The Owner shall have in place a contingency plan which specifies, at a minimum:
 - a. the procedures to be followed in the event of a power failure, labour disruption, transportation disruption, inability of receiving sites to accept waste or other business disruption to the operation;
 - b. procedures and actions to be taken should the incoming waste not meet the quality criteria set out in this Approval;
 - c. procedures and actions to be taken should the Finished Compost fail to meet the requirements of this Approval or the Standards Document;
 - d. procedures and actions to be taken should the occurrence of the complaints require the Owner to implement additional odour control measures; and
 - e. procedures and actions to be taken should the occurrence of the complaints require the Owner to suspend the waste processing activities at the Site.
- 2. A copy of the contingency plan shall be kept in a central location available to all staff. A copy shall be made available to Ministry staff upon request and to the local municipality and the local Fire Department, if requested.
- 3. The Owner shall periodically review the contingency plan and update the plan as required by changes in Site operations or as needed. Any updates to the contingency plan shall be prepared in consultation with the District Manager. The Owner shall also invite the local municipality and the local Fire Department to provide input and/or comments into preparation of the contingency plan. Written approval of the updated contingency plan from the local Fire Department shall be provided to the District Office.

8. REPORTS

1. Design and Operations Report

1. The Company shall maintain an up-to-date Design and Operations Report for the Site, which shall contain at a minimum the information required by the Ministry's "Guide to applying for an Environmental Compliance Approval" as it applies to the Site.

- 2. The Design and Operations Report shall be:
 - a. kept up-to-date at all times so that it accurately reflects the ongoing Site activities as approved under this Approval;
 - b. retained at the Site;
 - c. available for inspection by a Provincial Officer upon request; and
 - d. updated and submitted with all future Environmental Compliance Approval applications for the Site, including a revisions tracking log.
- 3. Changes to the Site's operations Design and Operations Report that do not require an amendment to this Approval under Section 27 of the EPA shall be recorded in a revisions tracking log in the Design and Operations Report and submitted to the District Manager for record keeping.

2. Operating Procedures

- 1. The Owner shall develop, and keep current, operating procedures which provide instruction to Site employees on how to carry out their duties and responsibilities. Operating procedures shall be developed for the following, at a minimum:
 - a. detailed instructions on determining waste stream acceptability, incoming waste inspection, preparation of feedstock, feedstock recipes, operation of equipment, etc;
 - b. detailed instructions on sampling, testing and monitoring procedures as required by this Approval;
 - c. detailed description of Site inspections and maintenance activities to be performed;
 - d. instruction on proper recording procedures;
 - e. emergency response procedures including an outline of the responsibilities of Site personnel including roles and responsibilities during emergency situations, exit locations and evacuation routing, and locations of relevant equipment available for handling of the emergency situations;
 - f. procedures on monitoring odour and steps to follow if an odour complaint is received; and
 - g. procedures outlining minimum housekeeping standards.
- 2. The operating procedures shall be made available to all employees and shall be regularly reviewed and updated when required.

9. TRAINING

1. The Owner shall ensure that Site personnel are trained, and receive annual refresher training, on the

operation and management of the Site, or area(s) within the Site, in accordance with the specific job requirements of each individual, including but not limited to:

- a. proper receiving and recording procedures (including recording procedures of wastes which are refused at the Site);
- b. proper storage, handling, sorting and shipping procedures;
- c. operation of equipment and procedures to be followed in the event of a process upset or an emergency situation;
- d. recording procedures as required under Conditions 11.2 through 11.6;
- e. inspection procedures and preventative maintenance program;
- f. nuisance impact control procedures;
- g. procedures for recording and responding to public complaints;
- h. any environmental concerns pertaining to the wastes accepted at the Site; and
- i. occupational health and safety concerns pertaining to the wastes received.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that Site personnel who oversee operations at the Site are trained, and receive annual refresher training in:
 - a. relevant waste management legislation, including but not limited to Reg. 347; and
 - b. terms, conditions and operating requirements of this Approval.

10. COMPLAINT RESPONSE

- 1. Complaints received regarding the operation of the Site shall be addressed according to the following procedure:
 - a. each complaint shall be numbered and recorded, either electronically or in a log book, and shall include the following information:
 - i. the nature of the complainant;
 - ii. the name, address and the telephone number of the complainant if the complainant will provide this information;
 - iii. the time and date of the complaint;

- iv. activities occurring on-site during the time of the complaint; and
- v. meteorological conditions including, but not limited to the ambient temperature, approximate wind speed and its direction.
- b. upon notification of the complaint, the Owner shall initiate appropriate steps to determine all possible causes of the complaint, proceed to take the necessary actions to eliminate the cause of the complaint and forward a formal reply to the complainant; and
- c. the Owner shall complete and retain on-site a report written within one (1) week of the complaint date, listing the actions taken to resolve the complaint and any recommendations for remedial measures, and managerial or operational changes to reasonably avoid the recurrence of similar incidents.

11. RECORD KEEPING

1. Record Retention

1. All records and monitoring data required by the conditions of this Approval must be kept on Site for a minimum period of two (2) years from the date of their creation.

2. Daily Activities Records

- 1. The Owner shall maintain daily records including, but not limited to:
 - a. date of record;
 - b. quantity and source of waste received at the Site;
 - c. quantity and destination of any Rejected and Residual Wastes transferred from the Site and the reason for rejection;
 - d. quantity of transfer waste or Finished Compost transferred from the Site;
 - e. activities (e.g. windrow turning, screening, Clean Wood grinding, etc.) taking place that day;
 - f. atmospheric conditions;
 - g. windrow temperature and oxygen readings; and
 - h. leachate levels within the leachate holding tanks.
- 2. The Owner shall maintain an ongoing record of total material entering the Site and this shall be balanced with the materials leaving the Site. The material balance shall be kept available for inspection by a Provincial Officer.

- 3. The Owner shall establish and maintain a record of all monitoring, sampling and testing activities at the Site. This record shall be in written or electronic format and include, as a minimum, the following information:
 - a. sample collection locations and volume of the samples collected;
 - b. day and time of collection;
 - c. sample handling procedures;
 - d. parameters tested for and the resulting concentrations;
 - e. name of the laboratory facility doing the testing;
 - f. temperature and oxygen profiles; and
 - g. conclusions drawn with respect to the results of the monitoring and testing.

3. Inspection Records

- 1. The Owner shall maintain a record of the inspections required by Condition 3.3. The record shall include the following information as a minimum:
 - a. the name and signature of person that conducted the inspection;
 - b. the date and time of the inspection;
 - c. a list of any deficiencies discovered;
 - d. any recommendations for action; and
 - e. the date, time and description of actions taken.

4. Maintenance Records

- 1. The Owner shall maintain a record of the preventative maintenance activities carried out in accordance with Condition 3.5. The record shall include:
 - a. the date;
 - b. the name of the person conducting the maintenance;
 - c. the equipment on which maintenance was performed;
 - d. the type of maintenance performed; and

e. the next scheduled maintenance date.

5. Emergency Response Records

1. The Owner shall maintain a written record of any spills, process upsets or other emergency situations which occur at the Site.

6. Training Records

- 1. The Owner shall maintain a written record of employee training at the Site which includes:
 - a. date of training;
 - b. name and signature of person who has been trained; and
 - c. description of the training provided.

7. Annual Report

- 1. By March 31st of each year, the Owner shall prepare and submit to District Manager an annual report for the previous calendar year. The report shall include, as a minimum, the following information:
 - a. a monthly summary of the waste received at the Site, including the quantity and the source;
 - b. a monthly summary of the Rejected Waste and/or Residual Wastes transferred from the Site, including the quantity, reason for rejection and the destination of the final disposal;
 - c. a monthly summary of the quantity of Finished Compost transferred from the Site;
 - d. a summary of analytical results of samples taken from the Finished Compost;
 - e. a summary of any significant problems encountered during composting or curing;
 - f. a summary of any complaints received and the actions taken to resolve the complaints;
 - g. any environmental and operational problems that could negatively impact the environment encountered during the operation of the Site and during the Site inspections and any mitigative actions taken;
 - h. summary statement as to compliance with all Conditions of this Approval and with the inspection and reporting requirements of the Conditions herein; and
 - i. any recommendations to minimize environmental impacts from the operation of the Site and to improve Site operations and monitoring programs in this regard.

12. CLOSURE PLAN

- 1. Four (4) months prior to the permanent closure of the Site, the Owner shall submit to the District Manager written notification of the decision to cease activities and a schedule for the implementation of activities to remove all waste from the Site and to clean or remove facilities as required.
- 2. Within ten (10) days after closure of the Site, the Owner must notify the Director and District Manager, in writing, that the Site is closed and that the closure plan required by Condition 12.1 has been fully implemented.

Schedule "A"

This Schedule "A" forms part of Environmental Compliance Approval No. 4875-7F4N5K.

- 1. Application for an Environmental Compliance Approval for a Waste Disposal Site signed by George Scott, dated June 25, 2010.
- 2. Design & Operations Report for Norterra Organics Composting Facility, originally prepared by TAF Industrial Consulting, reviewed and updated by G. Mariotti, Revision 3, dated January 2014.
- 3. Letter from G. Mariotti, Norterra Organic to MOE Environmental Approvals Branch, dated January 30, 2014, re: clarification of required amendments.
- 4. Email from G. Mariotti, Norterra Organics to V. Pochmursky, MOE, dated March 11, 2014 providing additional information on the revised scope of the application including a revised version of Drawing No. SS01 where the plan has been hand amended to show where the waste storage and biofuels processing will be carried out.
- 5. Letter from Allan Hamilton, Plant Manager, Norterra Organics to MOE Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, dated May 5, 2008 providing additional information in support of the application.
- 6. Drawing No. SS01 Site Plan, prepared by Josselyn Engineering Inc., dated September 10, 2008, and hand amended by G. Mariotti to show where the waste storage and biofuels processing will be carried out.
- 7. Drawing No. SS02 Servicing and Grading Plan, prepared by Josselyn Engineering Inc., dated July 3, 2008.
- 8. Drawing No. SS04 Storm Drainage Area Map, prepared by Josselyn Engineering Inc., dated July 29, 2008.
- 9. Drawing No. SS05 Gore Pad Details, prepared by Josselyn Engineering Inc., dated July 3, 2008.
- 10. Email dated June 3, 2008 from George Scott, Norterra, to Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch re: additional supporting information on feedstock, maximum capacity of site, size of storage tanks, maximum Residual Waste on site, maximum storage time for wood/brush and hauling arrangements.
- 11. Norterra Organics Environmental Response and Contingency Plan, undated.
- 12. Application for an Environmental Compliance Approval amendment signed by Lee Timmins, dated June 8, 2023 and all supporting documentation.
- 13. Email dated August 30, 2025 (11:59 a.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks responding to Information Request #1 and including the following attachments:
 - a. 12618227-LTR-1-Tomlinson MECP Info Req #1 Aug 26-2025.pdf.
- 14. Email dated September 23, 2025 (5:42 p.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of

the Environment, Conservation and Parks responding to Information Request #2 and including the following attachments:

- a. 11223264-RPT-2-D&O Report-redline-Sept 23-2025.docx
- b. Attachment 1 FA Calculations Tomlinson Organics Update September 2025.xlsx
- c. Biomass Recycle Transport Quote.pdf
- d. Site Plan Josselyn Engineering 2014.pdf
- e. Stormwater Plans 11223264-ECA Application Package.pdf
- 15. Email dated October 6, 2025 (7:36 a.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks amending Information Request #2 and including the following attachments:
 - a. Attachment 1 FA Calculations Tomlinson Organics Update Oct 6 2025.xlsx
- 16. Email dated November 10, 2025 (4:37 p.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks responding to Information Request #3 and including the following attachments:
 - a. 12618227-Primary Screening Form-2025.pdf
 - b. Mavitec Paddle Depacker 2.0 Benefits.pdf
 - c. System Drawing Paddle Depacker with 8m3 hopper + Piston Pump.pdf
 - d. THOR-Separator.pdf
- 17. Email dated November 13, 2025 (5:29 p.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks responding to Information Request #3 and including the following attachments:
 - a. Tomlinson Environmental Services Ltd. Best Management Practices Plan.docx
- 18. Email dated November 13, 2025 (5:31 p.m.) from Crystal Harte, GHD to Amanda Tse, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks responding to Information Request #3 and including the following attachments:
 - a. 11223264-RPT-2-DO Report-Nov 13-2025.docx

The reasons for the imposition of these terms and conditions are as follows:

The reason for Conditions 1.1, 1.4, 1.5, and 1.8.4 is to clarify the legal rights and responsibilities of the Owner under this Approval.

The reason for Condition 1.2 is to ensure that the Site is designed, operated, monitored and maintained in accordance with the application and supporting documentation submitted by the Owner, and not in a manner which the Director has not been asked to consider.

The reason for Condition 1.3 is to clarify how to interpret this Approval in relation to the application and supporting documentation submitted by the Owner.

The reason for Condition 1.6.1 is to ensure that the Site is operated under the corporate name which appears on the application form submitted for this approval and to ensure that the Director is informed of any changes.

The reason for Condition 1.6.2 is to restrict potential transfer or encumbrance of the Site without the approval of the Director. Transfer of encumbrance can be made only on the basis that it will not endanger compliance with this Approval.

The reason for Condition 1.6.3 is to ensure that subsequent owners of the Site are informed of the terms and conditions of this Approval. This also applies to all supporting documentation listed in Schedule "A".

The reason for Condition 1.7 is to ensure that appropriate Ministry staff have ready access to the Site for inspection of facilities, equipment, practices and operations required by the conditions in this Approval. This condition is supplementary to the powers of entry afforded a Provincial Officer pursuant to the Act and OWRA

The reason for Conditions 1.8.1, 1.8.2, and 1.8.3 is to ensure the availability of records and drawings for inspection and information purposes.

The reason for Conditions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 is to ensure that sufficient funds are available to the Ministry to clean up the Site in the event that the Owner is unable or unwilling to do so.

The reason for Conditions 3.1.1, 3.6, and 3.7 is to ensure that the Site is operated in a manner which does not result in a nuisance or a hazard to the health and safety of the environment or people.

The reason for Condition 3.1.2 is specify the approved areas from which waste may be accepted.

The reason for Condition 3.2.1 is to minimize the risk of unauthorized entry.

The reason for Condition 3.2.2 is to ensure that the Site is supervised and operated by properly trained staff.

The reason for Condition 3.2.3 is to ensure that the Site is secure when unattended to prevent vandalism.

The reason for Condition 3.2.4 is to ensure that emergency responders and the public have the necessary contact information in the event of an emergency or complaint.

The reason for Conditions 3.2.5 and 3.2.6 is to ensure appropriate signs are visible.

The reason for Conditions 3.3, 3.4, and 3.5 is to ensure that all equipment and facilities are maintained in good working order.

The reason for Conditions 4.1 and 4.2 is to specify the approved areas from which waste may be accepted, the types of waste that may be accepted and the type of waste processing activities permitted at the Site, based on the Owner's application and supporting documentation.

The reason for Conditions 5.1 through 5.2.2 is to ensure that the quantities of waste received at the Site are in accordance with that approved under this Approval.

The reason for Condition 5.2.3 is to require the Owner to store Rejected Waste within the waste receiving building and remove the Rejected Waste in a timely manner.

The reason for Condition 5.2.4 is to require the Owner to address odours associated with Residual Waste.

The reason for Condition 5.2.5 is to ensure waste is only transferred to an approved facility.

The reason for Conditions 6.1.1 to 6.1.9, 6.3, and 6.4 is to ensure that composting activities are undertaken in a manner which does not cause a nuisance or hazard to the public. Failure to follow accepted industry standards may create odours that negatively impact nearby residents.

The reason for Conditions 6.2 and 6.5 through 6.7 is to ensure that the finished compost is acceptable.

The reasons for Condition 7.1 is to ensure that the Owner immediately responds to a spill and notify the Ministry forthwith of any spills as required in Part X of the Act so that appropriate spills response can be determined.

The reason for Condition 7.2 is to ensure that the Owner is prepared and properly equipped to take action in the event of a spill, fire or other operation upset.

The reason for Condition 7.3 is to ensure that the Owner follows a plan with an organized set of procedures for identifying and responding to unexpected but possible problems at the Site.

The reason for Conditions 8.1 and 8.2 is to ensure that the Owner and Director have documents which reflect the current structural and operating conditions of the Site.

The reason for Conditions 9.1 and 9.2 is to ensure that the Owner's staff are properly trained in the operation of the equipment used at the Site and in emergency response procedures.

The reason for Condition 10.1 is to ensure that complaints are properly and quickly resolved and that complaints and follow-up actions have been documented.

The reason for Conditions 11.1 through 11.6 is to ensure that detailed records of Site operations are recorded

and maintained to demonstrate compliance with this Approval.

The reason for Condition 11.9 is to ensure that regular review of site development, operations and monitoring data is documented and any possible improvements to site design, operations or monitoring programs are identified. An annual report is an important tool used in reviewing site activities and for determining the effectiveness of site design.

The reason for Conditions 12.1 and 12.2 is to ensure that the Site is closed in accordance with Ministry standards and to protect the health and safety of the environment.

Upon issuance of the environmental compliance approval, I hereby revoke Approval No(s). 4875-7F4N5K issued on June 25, 2014

In accordance with Section 139 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, you may by written notice served upon me, the Ontario Land Tribunal and in accordance with Section 47 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, within 15 days after receipt of this notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the Environmental Protection Act provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("the Notice") shall state:

- a. The portions of the environmental compliance approval or each term or condition in the environmental compliance approval in respect of which the hearing is required, and;
- b. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

Pursuant to subsection 139(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act*, a hearing may not be required with respect to any terms and conditions in this environmental compliance approval, if the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those contained in an approval that is amended or revoked by this environmental compliance approval.

The Notice should also include:

- 1. The name of the appellant;
- 2. The address of the appellant;
- 3. The environmental compliance approval number;
- 4. The date of the environmental compliance approval;
- 5. The name of the Director, and;
- 6. The municipality or municipalities within which the project is to be engaged in.

And the Notice should be signed and dated by the appellant.

and

This Notice must be served upon:

Registrar*
Ontario Land Tribunal
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1E5
OLT.Registrar@ontario.ca

The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3

and

The Director appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act* Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

^{*} Further information on the Ontario Land Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349 or 1 (866) 448-2248, or www.olt.gov.on.ca

This instrument is subject to Section 38 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993, that allows residents of Ontario to seek leave to appeal the decision on this instrument. Residents of Ontario may seek leave to appeal within 15 days from the date this decision is placed on the Environmental Registry. By accessing the Environmental Registry at https://ero.ontario.ca/, you can determine when the leave to appeal period ends.

The above noted activity is approved under s.20.3 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act.

DATED AT TORONTO this 24th day of November, 2025

Mohsen Keyvani, P.Eng.

Director

appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*

AT/

c: District Manager, MECP Kingston - District Crystal Harte, GHD Limited