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Mr. Charles M. Russell, III
Whitestone Valley Landfill, LLC
1714 Old Whitestone Road
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SUBJECT: Whitestone Valley Landfill, LLC
Construction and Demolition Landfill – Permit Transfer
Pickens County – Permit No. 112-008D (C&D)

Dear Mr. Russell:

Your application to transfer the above Solid Waste Handling Permit from Renewable Energy Holdings of Georgia, LLC to Whitestone Valley Landfill, LLC has been reviewed and approved. Your Permit [112-008D (C&D)] is attached and includes conditions and limitations for your operation.

Personnel of the Environmental Protection Division will make periodic inspections of your operations. These inspections will be discussed with you or your personnel.

This permit is now in effect; however, under Georgia Law it is subject to appeal for thirty (30) days following issuance and is subject to modification or possible vacation if appealed. Should an appeal be received within the thirty (30) day appeals period, you will be immediately notified and further construction or operation under this permit may not be undertaken until such time as the appeals process is concluded.

If you have any questions regarding the permit, please contact Keith Stevens at (404) 362-2539.

Sincerely,

William Cook
Program Manager
Solid Waste Management Program

Enclosure: Permit with Conditions

cc: Honorable Kris Stancil, Pickens County
Clint Courson, HHNT, Inc.
Keith Stevens, Beverly Tipton, Jim Guentert, EPD Mountain District-Cartersville
File: GEOS submittal ID 766698

PERMIT NO.: 112-008D(C&D)

ISSUANCE DATE: Aug 21, 2023



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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

LAND PROTECTION BRANCH

Solid Waste Handling Permit

Permittee Name: **Whitestone Valley Landfill, LLC**

Facility Address: **1714 Old Whitestone Road, Talking Rock, GA 30175**

In accordance with the provisions of the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act, and the Rules promulgated pursuant thereto, this permit is issued for the following operation:

**Pickens County – K&M Old Whitestone Road
Construction/Demolition Landfill, 1714 Old Whitestone Road
(Latitude 34.55, Longitude -84.5208).**

This permit is conditioned upon the permittee complying with the attached conditions of closure, which are hereby made a part of this permit.

All statements in the application and supporting evidence, information, and data submitted to the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources have been evaluated, considered and relied upon in the issuance of this permit.

This permit is now in effect; however, under Georgia law it is subject to appeal for 30 days following issuance and is subject to modification or revocation on evidence of noncompliance: (i) with any provision of the Act or of the Rules promulgated pursuant thereto; or (ii) with any representation made in the above mentioned application or the statements and supporting data entered therein or attached thereto; or (iii) with any condition of this permit.



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Conditions for Permit 112-008D(C&D) (Page 1 of 2):

1. The construction/demolition landfill shall only accept construction/demolition waste, as defined in the *Georgia Rules for Solid Waste Management* (Rules).
2. The disposal facility Design and Operational (D&O) Plan submitted by the permittee and approved by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (Division) on April 16, 2007 is hereby made a part of this permit, and the disposal facility shall be operated in accordance with the approved D&O Plan. The Rules or Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act (Act) shall govern where any part or parts of the D&O Plan conflict with or are less stringent than the Rules or the Act, unless the Director of the Division has granted a variance specifically approving the conflicting part or parts of the D&O Plan.
3. The disposal facility shall be operated only under the direct supervision of an operator certified in accordance with Rule 391-3-4-.18
4. Solid waste unloading shall be restricted to the working face of the operation in such a manner that waste may be easily incorporated into the disposal facility with available equipment.
5. Solid waste shall be spread and compacted to its smallest practical volume before covering with earth.
6. A uniform compacted layer of clean earth cover at least one (1) foot in depth shall be placed over all exposed solid waste at least every 30 days, or more frequently as needed to maintain the area of exposed waste to less than 40,000 square feet. In no case shall waste be left uncovered for more than 30 days.
7. A uniform compacted layer of clean earth cover not less than one (1) foot in depth shall be placed over each portion of any intermediate lift following completion of that lift.
8. All-weather access roads shall be provided to the disposal facility and provisions shall be made for prompt equipment repair or replacement when needed.
9. A gate or other barrier shall be maintained at potential vehicular access points to block unauthorized access when the disposal facility is not in operation, and a fence or other suitable barriers shall also be maintained around the site to prevent unauthorized access.
10. The disposal facility shall be graded and drained to minimize runoff onto the disposal facility, to prevent erosion, and to drain water from the surface of the disposal facility.
11. Scattering of wastes by wind shall be controlled by fencing or other barriers, and the entire facility shall be inspected daily, and all litter removed.
12. No hazardous waste, conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG) waste, liquid waste, or putrescible waste shall be disposed of at this facility.

Conditions for Permit 112-008D(C&D) (Page 2 of 2):

13. Suitable measures to control fires that may start shall be provided. Stockpiled soil is considered to be the most satisfactory fire fighting material.
14. Before any waste is received at the facility, the permittee shall fully satisfy all applicable financial responsibility requirements for closure and post closure care in accordance with Rule 391-3-4-.13. The permittee shall thereafter maintain complinace with all requirements of this section of the Rules. If a funded trust is used to satisfy the financial responsibility requirements for this site, at no point shall the area of the disposal facility that has received waste and has not been closed exceed that area which could be properly closed using the funds available in the trust.
15. In accordance with O.C.G.A. 12-8-39 (a) and (b), the Permittee shall provide a mechanism to collect a cost reimbursement fee upon each ton or the volume equivalent of a ton of municipal solid waste received at the construction/demolition landfill, regardless of its source. A minimum of \$1.00 per ton or volume equivalent of the cost reimbursement fee shall also be paid into a restricted account for the host local government. The restricted account shall be used for solid waste management purposes only.
16. In accordance with O.C.G.A. 12-8-39(e), the permittee shall assess and collect, on behalf of the Division, from each disposer of waste, a surcharge per ton of solid waste disposed. Surcharges assessed and collected shall be due to the Division on the first day of July of each year.
17. The permittee shall comply with the following reporting requirements:
 - a. The permittee shall compile and submit quarterly reports of all solid waste disposed at the facility no later than the 30th day after the beginning of each calendar quarter in accordance with Rule 391-3-4-.17(1).
 - b. The permittee shall report on July 1 of each year the remaining capacity of the facility, the rate of filling, and the estimated completion date of the facility, in accordance with Rule 391-3-4-.17(3).
18. The disposal facility shall not be located in wetlands as defined by the U.S. Corps of Engineers unless the permitted provides evidence to the Director that use of the wetlands has been permitted or otherwise authorized under all other applicable state and hederal laws and rules. The permittee mut also place a demonstration of compliance in the operating record and notify the Director that it has been placed the record.
19. The disposal facility shall be closed in accordance with Rule 391-3-4-.11 and the closure plan included in the approved D&O Plan.
20. This permit shall become null and void if construction of the permitted disposal facility has not commenced within one year from the effective date or if the permitted disposal operation has not commenced within two years from the effective date.