

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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Mr. Johnny Poore, Executive Director Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority 172 Roger Brown Drive Barnesville, Georgia 30204

Subject: Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority Proposed Solid Waste Handling Facility 490 Industrial Drive Barnesville, Georgia 30204 Site Suitability Notice GEOS Submittal ID: 739864

Dear Mr. Poore:

The Solid Waste Management Program of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has completed its review of the April 2023, "*Report of Limited Site Suitability Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority Materials Recovery, Pyrolysis and Leachate Evaporation Facility*" prepared by Harbin Engineering, P.C. and Browne and Company, LLC.

Based on the data submitted in addition to your application, EPD has determined that the applicable siting standards can be met in accordance with the Georgia Rules for Solid Waste Management, Chapter 391-3-4-.05, provided the attached "Site Limitations" are met. This determination is based on information provided to date for EPD review and is subject to revision prior to permit issuance, should errors be found in the submitted information or new information be provided relevant to this determination.

This letter denotes only the demonstration of the ability to comply with siting standards for the proposed site and does not constitute approval to begin construction or operation of the disposal site. This letter does not constitute a permit for the proposed solid waste handling facility.

Before a permit may be issued for the proposed solid waste processing facility, a Design and Operation Plan (D&O Plan), prepared in accordance with the Georgia Rules for Solid Waste Management, must be submitted for consideration by the EPD. The D&O plan was received April 21, 2023, with GEOS submittal ID: 749318 and is under review by EPD.

Additionally, the appropriate governing authority must hold a public hearing regarding the proposed processing facility no less than two weeks prior to the issuance of any permit. At least 30 days prior to the public hearing, notices of the public hearing must be posted at the proposed site and advertised in the legal organ of the county or counties in which the proposed solid waste processing facility will be located. A transcript of the public hearing proceedings, approval of the financial assurance mechanism, and letters reaffirming zoning and consistency with the local or regional solid waste management plan must be submitted to EPD prior to a final decision regarding the issuance of a permit for the proposed solid waste processing facility.

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After our review and evaluation of the D&O plan, and other required submittals, a Solid Waste Handling Permit will be issued or denied. This Site Suitability Notice shall terminate upon a final decision to issue or deny the requested permit. Failure to submit to EPD an approvable Design and Operation Plan within one year from the date of this Notice may result in permit denial or termination of the permit application. Please feel free to contact Beverly Tipton at 470-524-5790 if you have any questions.

Sincerely, ffrey W. Cown

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Attachment:Site LimitationsEmail cc:Tilden Bembry, West Central District EPD
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- 1. The area considered for acceptability includes only that area enclosed within the property boundary lines labelled as "Parcel C" on Browne and Company, LLC. Sheet 1 of 2, Property Boundary & Legal Descriptions, dated March 8, 2023.
- 2. Solid waste handling operations shall not be conducted in any wetlands, as defined by the US Corps of Engineers, unless evidence is provided to the Director, by the applicant, that use of such wetlands has been permitted or otherwise authorized under all other applicable state and federal laws and rules. A statement certifying that wetlands will not be impacted as a result of construction activities at the site shall be submitted. This statement shall be signed and stamped by the professional engineer responsible for the Design and Operational Plan for the subject site. Wetland areas shall be delineated on the Design and Operational Plan.
- 3. The facility shall not restrict the flow of the 100-year flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in a washout of solid waste or material so as to pose a hazard to human health and the environment.
- 4. All erosion control measures and/or diversion ditches shall conform to the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act and be protective of State of Georgia waters.