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Mr. Lee Bagley President, Waste AG 932 N 2nd Avenue Rome, Georgia 30165

SUBJECT: DRAFT Site Limitations for

Floyd County - Wood Waste Handling Facility in the City of Rome

Proposed Air Curtain Destructor Facility

GEOS Submission ID: 762251

Dear Mr. Bagley:

The Solid Waste Management Program of the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has completed its review of the Report of Site Assessment for Solid Waste Handling Permit - Waste AG prepared by GeoHydro Engineers, dated October 3, 2024, and revised on April 30, 2025. These documents can be accessed on the EPD webpage at https://epd.georgia.gov/public-announcements-0/land-protection-branch-public-announcements.

Based on the data submitted, EPD has drafted Site Limitations which would form the basis for design of the proposed facility in a manner that complies with Georgia Comprehensive Rules and Regulations Subject 391-3-4, Solid Waste Management (Rules). These Rules can be accessed online at https://rules.sos.state.ga.us/GAC/391-3-4.

Comments on the proposed facility's site suitability report and the Draft Site Limitations are welcome. However, if EPD is to consider such comments prior to determining if a Site Suitability Notice is warranted for this facility, they must be received prior to August 13, 2025. Please note that the issuance of a Site Suitability Notice by EPD does not constitute a permitting decision for the proposed facility and comments regarding siting issues may be considered up to the time a final permitting decision is made.

Please feel free to contact Claudia Montero at (470) 251-4253 if you have any questions.

Sarah & Visser

Sincerely,

Sarah B. Visser, Chief Land Protection Branch

Keith Stevens, Beverly Tipton, William Cook, GA EPD cc:

Brian Boutelle, Mountain District EPD

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- 1. The area considered for acceptability includes only the 5.54-acre parcel shown on Figures 1, 2 and 3 of the *Report of Site Assessment for Solid Waste Handling Permit Waste AG* prepared by GeoHydro Engineers, dated October 3, 2024, and revised on April 30, 2025.
- 2. The solid waste disposal operation considered for acceptability includes only thermal treatment operations utilizing a trenchless air curtain destructor which shall always remain above ground.
- 3. Solid waste handling operations shall not be conducted in any wetlands, as defined by the U.S. Army 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 the facility has been designed so that implementation of the plans will not impact wetlands delineated in July 2024, and shown in the Design and Operational (D&O) Plan shall be submitted. This statement shall be signed and stamped by the professional engineer responsible for the D&O Plan for the subject site. Wetland areas shall be delineated on the D&O Plan.
- 4. Solid waste handling operations at the Waste AG Air Curtain Destructor 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. Solid waste handling activities shall not be performed in areas of the property considered to be within the 100-year floodplain.
- 5. Solid waste handling operations at the Waste AG Air Curtain Destructor Facility shall conform to the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act and be protective of the State of Georgia waters.
- 6. A minimum 50-foot undisturbed buffer shall be maintained between the solid waste handling operations and all streams and wetlands.