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March 11, 2026

The Honorable Darryl Mahoney, Garland County Judge (dmahoney@county.org)
Garland County Class 4 Landfill
PO Box 638 Hot Springs, AR 71902

Re: Approval of Construction Quality Assurance Certification for Phase 3 Cell 1
Garland County Cedar Glades Class 4 Landfill
Permit Tracking Number: 0300-S4; AFIN: 26-00405
Cross Reference Identifier(s):
0300-S4_2024 Phase 3, Cell 1 CQA Certification Report_20251213.pdf
0300-S4_2024 Phase 3, Cell 1 CQA Certification Revised Report NOD Response_20251224.pdf
0300-S4_2024 Phase 3, Cell 1 CQA Certification Revised Report_20251224.pdf
0300-S4_Revised Cost Estimate for a CQA_20260212.pdf

Dear Judge Mahoney:

The Division of Environmental Quality Office of Land Resources (DEQ) has reviewed the Construction Quality Assurance Certification Report for the Phase 3, Cell 1 Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) certification report submitted on December 13, 2025, revised on December 24, 2025, and February 12, 2026 for the Garland County Cedar Glades Class 4 Landfill. The report is a construction certification report that indicates the construction work for Phase 3 Cell 1 was completed in accordance with the approved permit drawings and narrative. Pursuant to PC&EC Rule 22.428, now codified as 8 CAR § 60-428, all changes to the approved designed and/or material specifications must be approved by DEQ prior to construction. By this letter, the DEQ authorizes waste disposal operations to commence at Phase 3 Cell 1.

This authorization is being given in reliance upon the statements and representations made to the DEQ, and DEQ has no responsibility for the ultimate proper functioning of the disposal facility. The DEQ also reserves the right to request additional information if it is deemed necessary. This approval shall not remove any liability nor hold the Garland County landfill harmless in the event of any adverse environmental or public health conditions resulting from the disposal of the material. Garland County shall be solely and fully responsible for implementing any corrective action necessary to remediate any adverse condition resulting from the disposal at the site based on this authorization.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me at (501) 682-0861 or email at Richard.Bennett@arkansas gov.

Sincerely,



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