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Attention: Mr. G. N. Woodburn, P. Eng.
Manager, Waste Disposal

Dear Sir:

RE: Burlington Landfill Site Inspection

On April 23, 1985 I invited Mr. Sid Chumley to join me in a site inspection at the Burlington Landfill Site. The principle reason for our visit was to examine the Regional Municipality's practices relating to daily cover of waste in the landfill site. Mr. Chumley had supplied photos, taken March 16, 1985, which showed large areas of exposed garbage that remained on Phase C of the site.

The extent of exposed garbage is clearly not acceptable to this Ministry in accordance with the intent of Regulation 309 under the Environmental Protection Act. In particular, the requirements of your Approval specifies 150 mm of daily cover over all exposed refuse, and an additional 250 mm of intermediate cover.

At the time of my site inspection with Mr. Chumley, some of the areas which I observed in his pictures had received additional cover. I was able to observe some selected areas where unacceptable amounts of waste were exposed to the atmosphere. This Ministry recognizes that, at times, it may be difficult to avoid some exposed refuse during daily operations due to inclement weather conditions, however, the extent of the waste exposed, as demonstrated in Mr. Chumley's pictures and as viewed by myself during my site inspection, would indicate problems with your daily covering practice.

I would ask you to supply a written explanation for the situation observed and also an indication of how you intend to avoid this problem in the future.



It is my intention to conduct inspections at a future date, at which time I may ask you to assist in spot check excavations to determine the depths of cover.

Mr. Chumley also indicated a concern with respect to access and security at the site. As you are aware, this has been an on-going concern of local citizens and in this regard I would remind you of the Regulation 309, Item #8(15-16).

I look forward to your early response.

Yours truly,



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Planning Co-ordinator
Halton-Peel District
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cc: Mr. Sid Chumley ✓
Mr. G. Nelson