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Spa Hills Farm Inc.

2223 Yankee Flats Road, Salmon Arm, BC

Dear Spa Hills Farm Inc.,

Re: Warning Letter

On May 6, 2025, Ministry of Environment and Parks (Ministry) Environmental Protection Officer Rebecca Benham (Ministry Staff) conducted an on-site inspection of the composting facility operated by Spa Hills Farm Inc. (Spa Hills), located at 2223 Yankee Flats Road Southwest, Salmon Arm, BC (Facility). The purpose of the inspection was to verify compliance with the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (OMRR), under which Spa Hills is registered with authorization 104962 (Authorization), as well as to follow-up on complaints regarding the processing and storage of compost. The Authorization was first issued on June 29th, 2010, and last amended on February 2nd, 2016.

Present during the inspection were Josh Mitchell (Co-Owner, Spa Hills), Caleb Mitchell (Operator, Spa Hills), Karlee Hall (Enforcement Officer, ECCC) and Peter Hicks (Enforcement Officer, ECCC). Further supplementary information was provided after the inspection from John Paul, PhD, (Professional Agrologist, Transform Compost Systems Ltd.).

Contravention of the requirements set out in the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation is an offence under the Environmental Management Act (EMA). Section 120(13) of EMA states as follows:

EMA 120 (13) A person who contravenes a requirement of a regulation that specifies the quantity or characteristics of waste that may be introduced into the environment commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1000000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both.

It should also be noted that, as an alternative to prosecution of the offence referenced above, the Ministry may initiate action to impose an administrative penalty against Spa Hills Farms Inc.. The Administrative Penalties Regulation (EMA) (B.C. Reg. 133/2014) (APR) was brought into force in 2014. The APR describes the prescribed provisions of the EMA as well as that of specified regulations under which administrative penalties can be assigned. Section 32 (1) of the APR states as follows:

32 (1) A person who contravenes section 5 (1), 7 (2) or (4), 9 (2), 12 (4) or (5), 14 (2), 15 (1), 17, 20 (2), 22 (1), 23 (2) or (3), 24 (1), 25 (1), 26 (2) or (3), 27, 28, 29 or 30 of the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation is liable to an administrative penalty not exceeding \$40 000.

The Ministry requests that Spa Hills Farm Inc. immediately implement the necessary changes or modifications to correct the non-compliance(s) listed below. Further, the Ministry requests that Spa Hills Farm Inc. notify this office in writing, by email or letter within 30 days of the receipt of this letter, advising what corrective measures have been taken, and what else is being done, to prevent similar non-compliances in the future.

Please submit the response to the Ministry's Compliance Mailbox at: EnvironmentalCompliance@gov.bc.ca.

As a result of this Warning, this authorization will be prioritized for follow-up inspection. The corrective measures will be reviewed by an Officer as part of the next inspection.

Finally, if you fail to take the necessary actions to restore compliance, you may be subject to escalating enforcement action. This Warning Letter and the alleged violations and circumstances to which it refers, will form part of the compliance history of Spa Hills Farm Inc. and will be taken into account in the event of future violations.

Inspection Details:

The time period covered by the file review component of this inspection is from July 16, 2024, until June 18, 2025 (Inspection Period). This inspection also includes findings based on observations and information obtained during the site inspection on May 6, 2025. The following documents were reviewed as part of this inspection:

- "Spa Hills compost" email provided and prepared by Spa Hills on June 18, 2025 (Information Response June Email);
- "Spa Hills Response to MOE Questions May 10" provided and prepared by J. Paul, on May 10, 2025 (Information Request Response Email);
- "Appendix C Compost Analyses December 2024" 2024 Analytical Analysis, prepared by CARO Analytical Services on December 11, 2024, provided by J. Paul on May 10, 2025 (2024 Sample Results);
- "Appendix B Compost Temperatures May 2025" from January 3, 2025 to May 5, 2025, prepared and provided by Spa Hills on May 10, 2025 (2025 Temperature Data);
- "Temperature records" from June 27, 2024 to December 27, 2024, provided by Spa Hills on June 18, 2025 (2024 Temperature Data);
- Spa Hills Composting Facility Design and Operation Plan, prepared by J. Paul, Professional Agrologist on March 31, 2025 and received by the Ministry on May 10, 2025 (2025 Operational Plan).

Compliance Assessment

Based on the information reviewed, this report documents the non-compliance identified during this inspection, as well as the associated details/findings and any actions required.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

2 (5): Any discharge of waste into the environment, not otherwise authorized by this regulation, must be in compliance with the Act.

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed effluent being discharged to ground from the compost storage, processing and screening area. The effluent collection system currently in place for the compost storage, processing and screening areas, at the North end of the Facility, consists of an unprepared surface and an unlined ditch that flows into the lined surface water run-off collection pond. On May 7, 2025, Ministry Staff conducted effluent sampling, the results of which were as follows:

Ammonia - 10,400 mg/L;
Conductivity - 53.9 mS/cm;
Total Suspended Solids - 439 mg/L;
Biochemical Oxygen Demand - >13,000 mg/L;
Nitrogen, total - 20,200 mg/L;
Phosphorus, total - 319 mg/L;

Each of these parameters exceeds one or more of B.C.'s ambient water quality guidelines (BCWQG) for the protection of freshwater aquatic life.

Effluent is defined in EMA as "a substance that is introduced into water or onto land and that:

- (a) injures or is capable of injuring the health or safety of a person,
- (b) injures or is capable of injuring property or any life form,
- (c) interferes with or is capable of interfering with visibility,
- (d) interferes with or is capable of interfering with the normal conduct of business,
- (e) causes or is capable of causing material physical discomfort to a person, or
- (f) damages or is capable of damaging the environment",

A review of the sampling results above determined that the effluent observed being introduced into the environment at the Facility is considered a waste in EMA. The high values for ammonia, specifically, indicate that the substance is capable of damaging the environment. The ammonia levels in the effluent sampled exceeded the BCWQG for Aquatic Life by approximately 400 times the recommended limit.

This section, and the results above, indicate that the effluent from the storage, processing and screening areas has the potential to affect the environment and is being discharged to ground from the Facility. Ministry Staff reviewed the Ministry's internal documents and determined that there is no authorization that would allow the effluent to be discharged in compliance with EMA. Therefore, Spa Hills is out of compliance for section 2 (5)

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Spa Hills must immediately cease the discharge of waste effluent to the ground.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

12 (3)(a): Compost that is not solely produced from yard waste or from untreated and unprocessed wood residuals and that meets the requirements of all of the following is Class A compost: (a) the requirements of subsection (2) (a) to (c);

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff were informed by the Co-Owner that feedstock for the Class A compost produced at the Facility includes, but is not limited to; red meat, food waste and hatchery waste. Ministry Staff reviewed the 2024 and 2025 Temperature Data and determined that the compost produced by the Facility met the requirements for Class A compost identified in Section 2 (a) and (c) for the Inspection Period.

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed six enclosed and confined vessels, involved in mechanical aeration, of organic matter, in which is considered "Phase I" of the operation as per the operations plan. The Co-Owner informed Ministry Staff that "Phase I" follows the Pathogen Reduction Processes as described in Schedule 1 of OMRR. As part of Phase I, the incoming organic waste is composted for a minimum of 10 days in one of the six aerated bunkers. Ministry Staff reviewed the 2024 Temperature Records and 2025 Temperature Records for the batches provided and determined that all batches reviewed maintained temperatures above 55 Celsius for more than 3 days and a review of the 2024 Sample Results determined that the compost met the requirements within Column 1 in Schedule 4 of OMRR during the Inspection Period.

Ministry Staff observed another six enclosed and confined vessels, involving mechanical aeration, of organic matter which is considered "Phase II". The Co-Owner informed Ministry Staff Phase II follows the Vector Attraction Reduction Processes as described in Schedule 2 of OMRR. As part of "Phase II", the organic material is removed from the aerated bunker used in Phase I and further composted for a minimum of 20 days in an aerated pile.

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2024 and 2025 Temperature Records and confirmed that the temperature of the compost was higher than 45 Celsius during Phase II during the Inspection Period. Stated in Schedule 2 Vector Attraction Reduction: Class A compost must be treated in an aerobic process for 14 days or longer. During that time, the temperature of the compost must be higher than 45 Celsius. After the vector attraction reduction process is completed "the carbon to nitrogen ratio of the compost must be greater than or equal to 15:1 and less than or equal to 35:1". A review of the 2024 Sample Results determined that the nitrogen ration was 15.8:1.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

12 (3)(b): Compost that is not solely produced from yard waste or from untreated and unprocessed wood residuals and that meets the requirements of all of the following is Class A compost: (b) Schedule 3, Pathogen Reduction Limits;

Details/Findings:

Schedule 3, Pathogen Reduction limits for Class A compost is as follows:

"Fecal coliform levels must be determined to be < 1 000 MPN per gram of total solids (dry weight basis).

Class A compost (not produced from yard waste alone), 7 representative samples must be taken

(a) from every 1 000 tonnes dry weight, or

(b) once per year, whichever occurs first.

The required fecal coliform levels must be met in all 7 representative samples."

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2024 Sample Results and determined that the compost produced by the Facility, met the pathogen reduction requirements set out in Schedule 3, Pathogen Reduction limits for Class A compost, within the Inspection Period.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

12 (3)(c): Compost that is not solely produced from yard waste or from untreated and unprocessed wood residuals and that meets the requirements of all of the following is Class A compost: (c) Schedule 5, Sampling and Analyses - Protocols and Frequency;

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the Information Request Response Email and determined that the Facility met the requirements of this section. Spa Hills carried out sampling and analyses at least once a year or every 1000 dry tonnes of compost produced, which meets the frequency requirement for this Inspection Period.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

12 (3)(d): Compost that is not solely produced from yard waste or from untreated and unprocessed wood residuals and that meets the requirements of all of the following is Class A compost: (d) Schedule 6, Record-keeping.

Details/Findings:

In an email dated 18 June, 2025 Ministry Staff requested Spa Hills to provided all temperature and retention times for the Inspection Period. Ministry Staff reviewed the 2024 and 2025 Temperature Records and the 2024 Sample Results and determined that Spa Hills met the requirements of section 12 (3)(d) of OMRR.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (2)(b): The plans and specifications required by subsection (1) must include, but are not limited to, all of the following:
(b) design capacity of the composting facility;

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan which lists, in Section 3.1, the design capacity of the Facility. The Facility is designed to process 12 000 tonnes of feedstock annually in an aerated composting process.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (2)(c): The plans and specifications required by subsection (1) must include, but are not limited to, all of the following: (c) a leachate management plan which stipulates how leachate generated from any and all stages of the composting process will be minimized, managed, treated or disposed;

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan and determined that a leachate management plan was included under Section 6.1. Within the 2025 Operational Plan it stipulated how leachate generated from the composting process will be minimized, managed and treated. It should be noted that the 2025 Operational Plan explains that "excess precipitation or runoff from the outdoor storage of compost is directed to and collected in a 12 m x 30 m x 3 m deep lined storage tank". However, during the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed surface water/precipitation runoff, from the storage of compost, entering an unlined ditch, flowing into a lined surface runoff water collection pond (Photos 5, 6 and 7).

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (2)(d): The plans and specifications required by subsection (1) must include, but are not limited to, all of the following: (d) an odour management plan which stipulates how air contaminants from the composting facility will be discharged in a manner that does not cause pollution;

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan, and determined that an odour management plan is included under Section 7. This includes four main procedures carried out to mitigate odour;

- "Incoming material is mixed with bulking agent as soon as possible after delivery and placed in the aerated bins, hence odour in the receiving area will be minimal.
- The composting blend is be aerated immediately to maintain aerobic conditions in the composting material.
- The composting blend is covered with finished compost as an odour control layer.
- The composting material remains aerated inside the composting buildings at least 6 weeks, reducing the potential for anaerobic conditions resulting from excess moisture."

Spa Hills also ensures that the aerated composting process is carried out for at least six weeks to maintain a minimal odour nuisance, this was observed in the 2025 Temperature Records.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (2)(e): The plans and specifications required by subsection (1) must include, but are not limited to, all of the following:
(e) an operating and closure plan for the composting facility.

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan which includes, in Section 4, the operating plan and in Section 10, the closure plan for the composting facility.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (3)(a)(i): The discharger must ensure that (a) the qualified professional (i) affixes his or her professional seal or signature, or both, to the plans and specifications for the composting facility, and

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan and determined that the qualified professional J.Paul, PhD, Professional Agrologist affixed their name to the plans and specifications for the composting facility with a professional seal or signature.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (3)(a)(ii): The discharger must ensure that (a) the qualified professional (ii) makes a signed statement certifying that the composting facility has been constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications,

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the Ministry's electronic records and all information provided by the Facility and determined that Spa Hills did not provide a signed statement from a qualified professional, certifying that the composting facility has been constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications. Therefore, compliance for this section is out.

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Ensure a qualified professional includes a signed statement certifying that the composting facility has been constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (3)(b): The discharger must ensure that (b) a copy of the plans and specifications for the composting facility are kept at the composting facility at all times, and are available for inspection at any time,

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, the Co-Owner informed Ministry Staff that a copy of the plans and specifications are available at the facility at all times and are available for inspection at any time.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (3)(c): The discharger must ensure that (c) the plans and specifications are submitted to a director upon request, and

Details/Findings:

Upon request, in an email dated May 10, 2025, J.Paul, PhD, Professional Agrologist, provided the plans and specifications.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

24 (3)(d): The discharger must ensure that (d) the composting facility is operated in compliance with the plans and specifications required by subsection (1).

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the 2025 Operational Plan and during the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed the operations at the Facility and determined that the Facility is not operated in compliance with the plans and specifications. It should be noted that the 2025 Operational Plan explains that "excess precipitation or runoff from the outdoor storage of compost is directed to and collected in a 12 m x 30 m x 3 m deep lined storage tank".

However, during the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed surface water/precipitation runoff, from the storage of compost, entering an unlined ditch, flowing into a lined surface runoff water collection pond (Photos 5, 6 and 7). Therefore, Spa Hills is not in compliance with section 23 (3)(d) of OMRR.

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Spa Hills must ensure that the composting facility is operated in compliance with the required plans and specifications.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

26 (2)(a): The receiving, storage, processing and curing areas of a composting facility must comply with all of the following: (a) be located on asphalt, concrete or another similar impermeable surface that is capable of withstanding wear and tear from normal operations and that will prevent the release of leachate into the environment;

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed that receiving and curing areas of the composting facility were located on concrete to prevent the release of leachate into the environment. However, Ministry Staff observed that the compost storage, processing and screening areas at the north of the Facility appear to not be located on soil, this is not considered an impermeable surface that is capable of withstanding wear and tear from normal operations (Photos 7 and 8). It should also be noted that the storage and screening areas allows for effluent to be discharged to the ground. There was a effluent collection system in place, however the unlined ditch that flows into the surface water run-off collection pond consisted of soil. On May 7, 2025, Ministry Staff conducted water samples, the results are outlined in section 2 (5). which the results confirmed that the effluent exceeds one or more of B.C's ambient water quality guidelines for drinking water, protection of freshwater aquatic life, or wildlife.

During the on-site inspection, the Co-Owner informed Ministry Staff that the effluent collected from the compost storage and screening area is added to the finished compost and turned before screening occurs, this was also confirmed in the Information Request Response.

This section and the above results indicate that the effluent, from the storage, processing and screening areas has the potential to affect the environment and is being discharged to ground from the Facility. Therefore, Spa Hills is out of compliance for section 26 (2)(a).

Spa Hills was previously warned for non-compliance with Section 26 (2)(a) in March 2024 (IR 219132) and September 2024 (IR 229229).

This contravention was occurring on January 3, 2024 and continued each day up to and including May 6, 2025.

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Immediately cease the discharge of effluent into the environment. Spa Hills must ensure that the receiving, storage, processing and curing areas are located on an impermeable surface that is capable of withstanding wear and tear from normal operations.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

26 (2)(b)(i): The receiving, storage, processing and curing areas of a composting facility must comply with all of the following: (b) have a roof or cover, or a prepared surface, designed to prevent (i) the surface collection of water around the base of organic matter and compost, and

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff observed that the receiving and curing areas of the composting facility were covered and sloped to prevent water from collecting around the organic matter and compost. However, the compost storage, processing and screening area at the north of the Facility was not covered or on a prepared surface (Photos 8 and 9), therefore, Spa Hills is out of compliance for section 26 (2)(b)(i).

Spa Hills was previously warned for non-compliance with Section 26 (2)(b)(i) in March 2024 (IR 219132) and September 2024 (IR 229229).

This contravention was occurring on January 3, 2024 and continued each day up to and including May 6, 2025.

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Ensure Spa Hills has a roof, cover or a prepared surface designed to prevent the surface collection of water around the base of organic matter and compost within the storage area.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

26 (2)(b)(ii): The receiving, storage, processing and curing areas of a composting facility must comply with all of the following: (b) have a roof or cover, or a prepared surface, designed to prevent (ii) run-off water from entering the receiving, storage, processing and curing areas;

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff observed that the receiving and curing areas of the composting facility were covered and on a prepared surface to prevent run-off from entering the areas. However, the storage and processing areas at the north of the Facility were not covered or on a prepared surface and run-off water has the possibility to enter the storage and processing areas.

Spa Hills was previously warned for non-compliance with Section 26 (2)(b)(ii) in March 2024 (IR 219132) and September 2024 (IR 229229).

This contravention was occurring on January 3, 2024 and continued each day up to and including May 6, 2025.

Compliance:

Out

Actions to be taken:

Ensure Spa Hills has a roof, cover or a prepared surface designed to prevent run-off water from entering the storage and processing areas.

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

27: The amount of organic matter in a composting facility must not at any time exceed the total design capacity of the facility.

Details/Findings:

A review of the 2025 Operational Plan, the Facility's total design capacity is 12 000 tonnes of feedstock. Ministry Staff reviewed the Information Request Response, which stated that Spa Hills received 11 500 tonnes of feedstock in 2024.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:

Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)

28: At least half of the compost stored at a composting facility must be removed annually from the facility beginning in the third year after facility start-up.

Details/Findings:

Ministry Staff reviewed the Information Request Response which stated "In 2024, Spa Hills Farm spread 4626 tonnes of compost on land owned or leased by the farm and sold 4263 tonnes to other farms or customers", this confirmed that at least 50% of the compost stored at the Facility is removed annually. It should be noted, that the 8889 tonnes of compost removed in 2024 reflects the accumulated amount stored since 2021.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:**Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)**

29 (1)(a): Residuals from the composting process must (a) be stored so as to prevent vector attraction, and

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed the process of screening residuals (Photo 9), and determined that at the Facility residuals are stored in a manner that prevents vector attraction.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:**Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)**

29 (1)(b): Residuals from the composting process must (b) be disposed of on a regular basis in accordance with the Act.

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff were informed by the Co-Owner that any residuals from the composting process waste is sorted and is regularly disposed of at the local landfill, this was also confirmed in the Information Request Response.

Compliance:

In

Requirement Description:**Environmental Management Act, Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA)**

29 (2): Residuals that are stored at a composting facility must not at any time exceed 15 cubic metres in total.

Details/Findings:

During the on-site inspection, Ministry Staff observed residuals from the composting operation are contained in a 15 cubic metre receptacle (Photo 9) and disposed of when full, therefore, residuals at the Facility did not exceed 15 cubic metres in total.

Compliance:

In

Compliance History:

2024-09-17 IR 229229 Warning Codes and Regs: Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA) 2 (1); 12 (3)(a); 26 (2)(a); 26 (2)(b)(i); 26 (2)(b)(ii); 26 (2)(c); 26 (3); 29 (1)(a)

2024-03-27 IR 219132 Advisory: Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (18/2002) (EMA) 12 (3)(b); 24 (3)(a)(i); 24 (3)(a)(ii); 24 (3)(d); 26 (2)(a); 26 (2)(b)(i); 26 (2)(b)(ii); 26 (2)(c); 26 (3); 29 (1)(a); 29 (2)

2021-02-16 IR 164695 Notice:

2020-07-16 IR 145833 Notice:

2019-06-26 IR 123745 Notice:

The Ministry of Environment Compliance and Enforcement Policy and Procedure (C&E Policy) prescribes common requirements and procedures for all Ministry staff to ensure consistent and risk-based assessment and response to non-compliance. Using the Non-Compliance Decision Matrix, the compliance determination for this inspection has been assessed as **Level 2, Category B, Warning Codes and Regs**.

More information about Environmental Compliance, the Non-Compliance Decision Matrix, and reporting and data submission requirements can be found at the links below:

General compliance information:

www.gov.bc.ca/environmentalcompliance

Non-Compliance Decision Matrix information:

www.gov.bc.ca/environment/how-compliance-is-assessed

Reporting and data submission requirements (to be sent to EnvAuthorizationsReporting@gov.bc.ca):

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/comply>

Please be advised that this inspection report may be published on the provincial government website within 7 days.

Below are attachments related to this inspection.

If you have any questions about this warning, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Rebecca Benham

Environmental Protection Officer

Attachments:

- 1) Photo 1. Storage area at the Facility not located on an impermeable surface that is capable of withstanding wear and tear from normal operations and did not prevent the release of effluent.
- 2) Photo 2. Unlined ditch to collect and direct runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area to the lined water containment.
- 3) Photo 3. Unlined ditch to collect and direct runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area to the lined water containment.
- 4) Photo 4. Lined water containment to collect runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area.
- 5) Photo 5. Residuals stored in a 15 cubic metre container, in a manner that prevents vector attraction.
- 6) Photo 6. Storage and screening areas at the Facility situated north of the property.

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To see the most up to date version of the regulations and codes of practices please visit
<http://www.bclaws.ca>

If you require a copy of the original permit, please contact the inspector noted on this inspection record.

It is also important to note that this inspection record does not necessarily reflect each requirement or condition of the authorization therefore compliance is noted only for the requirements or conditions listed in the inspection record.



Photo 1. Storage area at the Facility not located on an impermeable surface that is capable of withstanding wear and tear from normal operations and did not prevent the release of effluent.



Photo 2. Unlined ditch to collect and direct runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area to the lined water containment.



Photo 3. Unlined ditch to collect and direct runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area to the lined water containment.



Photo 4. Lined water containment to collect runoff and excess precipitation from the compost storage area.



Photo 5. Residuals stored in a 15 cubic metre container, in a manner that prevents vector attraction.



Photo 6. Storage and screening areas at the Facility situated north of the property.