

Department of Environmental Conservation

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH Solid Waste Program

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Sent via email to GSteckman@nomealaska.org

File No.: 400.15.015

Glenn Steckman, City Manager City of Nome P.O. Box 281 Nome, AK 99762-0281

RE: Nome Inert Waste Landfill, Solid Waste Permit No. SWZA037-27

Dear Mr. Steckman:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) has completed its evaluation of your revised permit renewal application for the Nome Inert Waste Monofill in Nome, Alaska. Please review the conditions and stipulations in the permit and ensure that they are understood. This permit is being issued in accordance with Alaska Statute (AS) 46.03; Title 18, Chapter 15 of the Alaska Administrative Code (18 AAC 15); and the Solid Waste Regulations (18 AAC 60).

A person authorized under a provision of 18 AAC 15 may request an informal review of a contested decision by the Division Director in accordance with 18 AAC 15.185 and/or an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 18 AAC 15.195 – 18 AAC 15.340. See DEC's "Appeal a DEC Decision" web page https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/review-guidance/ for access to the required forms and guidance on the appeal process. Please provide a courtesy copy of the adjudicatory hearing request in an electronic format to the parties required to be served under 18 AAC 15.200. Requests must be submitted no later than the deadline specified in 18 AAC 15.

Please contact Neil Lehner at (907) 451-2134 or by email at <u>neil.lehner@alaska.gov</u> if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Buteyn

Northern/Southeastern Regional Program Manager

Enclosure: Permit #SWZA037-27, expiring on April 15, 2027

STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

610 University Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99709

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT

Permit No. SWZA037-27

Date Effective: May 31, 2022
Date Expires: April 15, 2027

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), under authority of AS 46.03 and 18 AAC 60, issues a solid waste disposal permit to:

Glenn Steckman, City Manager City of Nome P.O. Box 281 Nome, AK 99762

and designated representatives for the continued management and operation of an inert waste disposal facility. Approximately 9 tons per day of inert waste will be disposed on the 12.1-acre site.

The monofill is located on Center Creek Road about 2.5 miles northwest of Nome. It is in Section 23, T11S, R34W, Kateel River Meridian.

The permit holder shall manage and operate the facility in accordance with:

- 18 AAC 60, and
- permit renewal application materials, dated March 17, 2022, and
- revised permit renewal application materials, received May 25, 2022.

In addition, the following permit conditions are required:

Specific Conditions

- 1. A revised fill progression plan for the lateral expansion area must be approved by ADEC before any waste is placed in that area.
- 2. The Permittee must place a liner or similar collection system under any vehicle from which any liquids are being removed. Any liquids contained with the liner or collection system must be managed appropriately.

General Conditions

- 1. Access and inspection The Permittee shall allow the Commissioner or his representative access to the permitted facilities at reasonable times to conduct scheduled or unscheduled inspections or tests to determine compliance with this permit, State laws, and regulations.
- 2. Information access Except for information relating to confidential processes or methods of manufacture, all records and reports submitted in accordance with the terms of this permit shall

- be available for public inspection at the State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation, 610 University Avenue, Fairbanks, AK 99709.
- 3. Civil and criminal liability Nothing in this permit shall relieve the Permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance, whether or not such noncompliance is due to factors beyond his control, including, but not limited to, accidents, equipment breakdowns, or labor disputes.
- 4. Availability The Permittee shall post or maintain a copy of this permit available to the public at the disposal facility.
- 5. Adverse impact The Permittee shall take all necessary means to minimize any adverse impacts to the receiving waters or lands resulting from noncompliance with any limitation specified in this permit, including any additional monitoring needed to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying activity. The Permittee shall clean up and restore all areas adversely impacted by the noncompliance.
- 6. Cultural or paleontological resources Should cultural or paleontological resources be discovered as a result of this activity, work which would disturb such resources is to be stopped, and the State Historic Preservation Office, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, Department of Natural Resources, is to be notified immediately (907-269-8721).
- 7. Applications for renewal In accordance with 18 AAC 15.100(d), applications for renewal or amendment of this permit must be made no later than 30 days before the expiration date of the permit or the planned effective date of the amendment.
- 8. Other legal obligations The requirements, duties, and obligations set forth in this permit are in addition to any requirements, duties, or obligations contained in any permit that the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has issued or may issue to the Permittee. This permit does not relieve the Permittee from the duty to obtain any and all necessary permits and to comply with the requirements contained in any such permit or with applicable state and federal laws and regulations. All activities conducted by the Permittee pursuant to the terms of this permit and all plans implemented by the Permittee pursuant to the terms of this permit shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations.
- 9. Pollution prevention In order to prevent and minimize present and future pollution, when making management decisions that affect waste generation, the Permittee shall consider the following order of priority options: waste source reduction; recycling of waste; waste treatment; and waste disposal.

This permit expires on **April 15, 2027** and may be revoked or amended in accordance with 18 AAC 60.260. The permit can be renewed if the facility will operate beyond this date. To avoid expiration of this permit, a renewal application must be submitted to ADEC at least 30 days before the expiration date, as set forth in 18 AAC 15.110.

Douglas J. Butevn

Northern/Southeastern Regional Program Manager