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Mr. Bryan Leamons, PE Engineering Supervisor Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality 8017 I-30, P.O. Box 8913 Little Rock, AR 72219-8913

Subject:Financial Assurance Documentation for 2007 (Reg. 22.906)Tontitown Transfer Station (Waste Management)AFIN: 72-00144Permit No:0023-STSW-MC

Dear Mr. Leamons:

The Tontitown Transfer has previously submitted and has received approval to waive the requirements for financial assurance pursuant to *Chapter Nine-Transfer Stations* of Regulation 22.

In determining whether financial assurance documentation is required, *Regulation 22.906-Financial Assurance* states that the ADEQ will consider: 1) the facility size and risk of contamination, and 2) the risk of the owner/operator becoming financially incapacitated to where the amount of solid waste and recoverable material (150% of the maximum permitted amount) ever stored onsite can be transported and disposed of in a Class 1 landfill.

There has not been a change to the status of the permitted facility. All permit fees have been paid to date, and all ADEQ inspections have been in the range of satisfactory. The Tontitown Transfer Station handles less than 10 tons per day (2006 data). In the unlikely event the site becomes non-functional; the volume can be easily loaded and transported by multiple Waste Management facilities throughout Arkansas. Disposal of any residual waste would be directed to the Tontitown Landfill, or another WM permitted facility. Furthermore, the transfer station is within an enclosed building and, the risk of environmental contamination is considered remote.

For these reasons, we request that a re-determination be made that site-specific financial assurance documentation for the Tontitown Transfer Station be waived for the 2007 - 2008 fiscal year.

We appreciate ADEQ's assistance. Should you have any questions, or require additional information, please call me at (501) 982-7336.

Sincerely, Waste Management

Scott Tarkington, REM Environmental Protection Manager Arkansas / North Mississippi Market Areas

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