## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION





August 7, 2015

Mr. Michael Barden Department of Economic & Community Dev. 59 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0059

Don Meagher **NEWSME Landfill Operations. LLC** 2828 Bennoch Road Old Town, Maine 04468

RE: Application #S-20700-WD-BI-N

Juniper Ridge Landfill Expansion

Dear Mr. Barden and Mr. Meagher:

Your application to expand the Juniper Ridge Landfill, submitted on July 21, 2015, was accepted as complete for processing today. The application has been assigned DEP #S-020700-WD-BI-N. Please use this number on all correspondence regarding this application. Additionally, the accompanying Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA) application (DEP #L-24251-TG-C-N) was accepted as complete for processing on July 31, 2015 (see attached acceptance letter). Public comments on the applications may be submitted to the Department during the entire time the Department is processing the applications. Requests for the Board of Environmental Protection to assume jurisdiction or for a public hearing on the applications must be received by the Department, in writing, by the close of business on August 20, 2015 for the NRPA application and by the close of business on August 27, 2015 for the solid waste application.

At this time the Department will begin its substantive review of the above application. As the Department conducts its review, there is likely to be additional information requested from you.

Finally, the Commissioner has concluded that the solid waste application is likely to require significantly more costs than the \$21,321 fee set in the Department's fee schedule, and thus has designated this application as being subject to the special fees provisions of 38 M.R.S.A. § 352.3. Department staff will be tracking the time and

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expenses associated with processing the application, and you will be billed for the actual costs to the Department.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

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Sincerely,

Michael T. Parker

Division of Solid Waste Management

## Attachment

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