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August 28, 2023

Arturo Romero
Solid Waste Superintendent
Village of Los Lunas
7480 Main Street, NW
Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031

Re: Notice of Inspection – Los Lunas Transfer Station

Dear Arturo Romero,

Please excuse the delay in the issuance of this correspondence. On November 2, 2022, Daniel R. Galasso and Ken R. Churan, Enforcement Officers, Solid Waste Bureau (“SWB”), New Mexico Environment Department (“NMED”), inspected the Los Lunas Transfer Station to determine compliance with the New Mexico Solid Waste Rules (“SWR”), 20.9.2 – 20.9.10 NMAC, and the New Mexico Recycling, Illegal Dumping and Scrap Tire Management Rule (“RIDSTMR”), 20.9.20 NMAC. The following violation was observed:

Failure to furnish all records and plans for inspection – The inspection documented the hours of operation for the facility to be Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. However, the permit indicated that the facility’s hours should be Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. On November 4, 2022, Daniel Chavez, Transfer Station Operator, contacted Erica Gordan, Permit Section Manager, Solid Waste Bureau, about the changes in hours of operations. Ms. Gordon provided documentation, dated July 6, 2021, indicating the changes in the facility’s hours of operation to their current timeframe. It was determined, that due to staff changes at Molzen Corbin, the consultant for the site, a final updated permit was not provided to the facility and was not available for review during the inspection.

The SWR, 20.9.5.16.E NMAC, states that “[a]ll records and plans required by 20.9.2-20.9.10 NMAC shall be furnished upon request and made available at all reasonable times for inspection by the [SWB].”

[NOTE: the original violation cited on the Solid Waste Inspection Report (“SWFIR”) at the time of inspection was “failure to comply with hours of operation specified in the permit.” After acquiring additional information after the inspection, and described in the paragraph above, the violation was modified to “failure to furnish all records and plans for inspection.”]

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We look forward to reviewing the updated permit on our next inspection. If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 699-7224. You may also contact Daniel R. Galasso, Enforcement Coordinator, Solid Waste Bureau, at (505) 795-1232 or daniel.galasso@env.nm.gov.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Churan Digitally signed by Kenneth Churan
Date: 2023.08.28 14:15:28 -0600

Ken R. Churan
Enforcement Officer
Solid Waste Bureau

Enclosure - Copy of the SWFIR

KRC:drg:krc

cc: Rick Shean, Director, Resource Protection Division and Acting Chief, Solid Waste Bureau *[via electronic mail]*
Daniel R. Galasso, Enforcement Coordinator, Solid Waste Bureau *[via electronic mail]*