



**PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
PREBLE COUNTY**

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000



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STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Board of County Commissioners
Preble County
101 East Main Street
Eaton, Ohio 45320
and
Mr. Christopher Jones, Director
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

We have audited, in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, the general purpose financial statements of Preble County for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our unqualified report thereon dated June 25, 2001.

We have also performed the procedures described in the following paragraph as prescribed by Ohio Administrative Code Sections 3745-27-15(L)(3)(c), 3745-27-16(L)(3)(c) and 3745-27-18(L)(3)(c), solely to assist you in complying with the reporting requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 3745-27-15(L)(3)(a), 3745-27-16(L)(3)(a) and 3745-27-18(L)(3)(a) as they relate to the financial tests associated with estimated landfill final closure, postclosure and corrective measures costs. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedure described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

In a letter to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency dated June 27, 2001, (Exhibit A) the County Auditor for the Preble County Landfill specified that certain amounts were derived from the independently audited financial statements referred to in the first paragraph above. As required by Ohio Administrative Code Sections 3745-27-15(L)(3)(c), 3745-27-16(L)(3)(c), and 3745-27-18(L)(3)(c), we have agreed "Total Annual Revenue" from Line 6 of Alternative 2, included in the letter dated June 27, 2001, to the financial statements.

The amounts in line 6 agreed to the general purpose financial statements of Preble County, Ohio, or can be computed from amounts appearing therein. We followed the definition for line 6 included in the *State Support Document for the Local Government Financial Test*, issued November 27, 1996 by the USEPA.

We were not engaged to, and did not, audit the letter prepared by the County Auditor dated June 27, 2001, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the letter. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

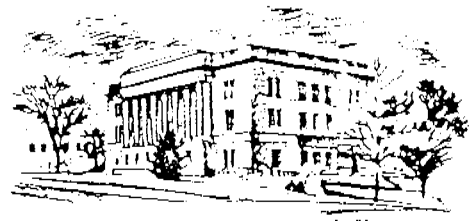
This report is intended solely for the use of the specified users listed above and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Jim Petro
Auditor of State

June 27, 2001

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RE: Preble County Landfill - Local Government Financial
Test Demonstration - Annual Update 2001

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am the Chief Financial Officer of Preble County, Ohio. This letter is in support of this local government's use of the financial test to demonstrate financial assurance, as specified in Chapter 3745-27 of the Administrative Code.

- (1) This local government is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial assurance for final closure or post-closure care or corrective measures is demonstrated through the financial test specified in Chapter 3745-27 of the Administrative Code and/or this local government is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial assurance for any other environmental obligations are assured by a financial test. The current final closure, post-closure, and/or corrective measures cost estimates, and any other environmental obligations provided for by a test are shown for each facility:

Preble County Sanitary Landfill
4239 U.S. Route 127 South
Eaton, Preble County, Ohio 43520

Closure cost:	<u>\$5,510,328.17</u>
Post-closure care cost:	+ <u>\$2,106,970.99</u>
Total	= <u>\$7,617,299.16</u> (see Schedule A)

- (2) This local government is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial assurance for final closure or, if a sanitary landfill facility, post-closure care or corrective measures, is not demonstrated to the Ohio Environmental Protection

Agency through the financial test or any other financial assurance mechanism specified in Chapter 3745-27 of the Administrative Code. The current final closure, post-closure, and/or corrective measures cost estimates not covered by such financial assurance are shown for each facility: None.

The fiscal year of this local government ends on December 31. The figures for the following items marked with an asterisk are derived from this local government's independently audited, year-end financial statements for the most recently completed fiscal year, ended December 31, 2000.

ALTERNATIVE II

1. Sum of current final closure, post-closure, and/or corrective measures cost estimates and any other environmental obligations assured by a financial test (total of all cost estimates shown in the two paragraphs above):
\$7,617,299.16
2. Current bond rating of most recent issuance and name of rating service:
AAA, S & P and Aaa, Moody's
3. Date of issuance of bond: December 6, 1996
4. Date of maturity of bond: December 1, 2016
5. Total assured environmental costs: \$7,617,299.16
- *6. Total annual revenue: \$ 24,454,154.00
7. Is line 5 divided by line 6 less than or equal to 0.43? YES
If not, complete line 8 and 9.
8. Multiply line 6 by 0.43 = \$ N/A. This is the maximum amount allowed to assure environmental costs.
9. Line 8 subtracted from line 5 = \$ N/A.

This amount must be assured by another financial assurance mechanism listed in paragraphs (F), (G), (I), or (J), respectively, in Rules 3745-27-15, 3745-27-16, and 3745-27-18 of the Administrative Code.

I hereby certify that the wording of this letter is identical to the wording specified in paragraph (H) of Rule 3745-27-17 of the Administrative Code as such rule was constituted on the date shown immediately below. I further certify the following: (1) that the local government's financial statements are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for governments; (2) that the local government has not operated at a deficit equal to five percent or more of total annual revenue in either of the past two fiscal years; (3) that the local government is not in default on any outstanding general obligations bonds; and, (4) that the local government does not have outstanding general obligations rated less than BBB as issued by "Standard and Poor's" or Baa as issued by "Moody's".

Harold E. Yoder

Harold E. Yoder
COUNTY AUDITOR
PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO

Date: 6/27/01

SCHEDULE A

PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
4239 U.S. Route 127 South
Eaton, Preble County, Ohio 43520

FINAL CLOSURE/POST-CLOSURE CARE COST ESTIMATES¹
FOR THE PREBLE COUNTY LANDFILL
(2001 Annual Update Using 2000 Figures)

Final Closure cost:	<u>\$5,510,328.17</u>
Post-closure care cost:	+ <u>\$2,106,970.99</u>
Total	= <u>\$7,617,299.16</u>

¹ Estimates prepared by the County's engineering consultant are attached.

PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
 SCHEDULE A
 CLOSURE ESTIMATE
 Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio

I. FINAL COVER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION		
A.	Perimeter leachate collection 3,280 LF x \$60.00/LF	\$295,800.00
B.	Clay barrier placement \$9.00/CY * 161,333	\$1,290,664.00
C.	Drainage layer 80,666 CY x \$15.22/CY	\$1,227,736.50
D.	Vegetative layer 161,333 CY x \$3.30/CY	\$532,398.90
E.	Phase II geomembrane (40 mil VLDPE) \$0.45/sf * 2,178,000 SF	\$980,100.00
F.	Cover subdrain piping 17,000 LF x \$3.50/LF	\$59,500.00
G.	Oversight of construction	\$125,000.00
H.	Certification report	\$45,000.00
II. EROSION CONTROL		
A.	Silt fence and straw bales 50 ac x \$300.00/ac	\$15,000.00
B.	Seeding and reseeding 50 ac x \$1,805.20/ac	\$90,260.00
III. SURVEYING		\$30,000.00
IV. ENGINEERING		\$250,000.00

SUB-TOTAL \$4,941,459.40

1996 Inflation (2%)	\$98,829.19
1997 Inflation (2%)	\$100,805.77
1998 Inflation (2%)	\$102,821.89
1999 Inflation (1%)	\$52,439.16
2000 Inflation (2%)	\$105,927.11
2001 Inflation (2%)	\$108,045.65

TOTAL \$5,510,328.17

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PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
 SCHEDULE B
 POST CLOSURE ESTIMATED AVERAGE
 MAINTENANCE COST
 Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio

I.	Regrading differential settlement (approx. 1 acre annually)	\$2,000.00
II.	Reseeding (approx. 1 acre annually)	\$2,000.00
III.	Erosion Control (straw bales, silt fence, and rip-rap)	\$1,000.00
IV.	Sediment basin maintenance (annual clean-out)	\$2,000.00
V.	Road maintenance (repair or replace damaged areas)	\$5,000.00
VI.	Other miscellaneous site maintenance (as required by Quarterly Reports)	\$5,000.00
VII.	Surface water monitoring (testing per NPDES Permit)	\$4,500.00
VIII.	Groundwater monitoring (15-well sampling event)	\$30,000.00
IX.	Leachate collection system maintenance (repair or replacement of pump components)	\$4,000.00
X.	Leachate treatment (0.3 gal/ac - day x 55ac x 365 days/yr x \$0.08/gal)	\$481.80
XI.	Quarterly Report preparation (inspection reports as required by OAC 3745-27-14)	\$4,500.00
XII.	Miscellaneous engineering inspection (on-site visits, required repair testing)	\$2,500.00

SUB-TOTAL \$62,981.80
30-YEAR SUB-TOTAL \$1,889,454.00

1996 Inflation (2%)	\$37,789.08
1997 Inflation (2%)	\$38,544.86
1998 Inflation (2%)	\$39,315.76
1999 Inflation (1%)	\$20,051.04
2000 Inflation (2%)	\$40,503.09
2001 Inflation (2%)	\$41,313.16

TOTAL \$2,106,970.99

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SCHEDULE B

PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
4239 U.S. Route 127 South
Eaton, Preble County, Ohio 43520

SCHEDULE OF THE TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUE
OF PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

1.	Total Revenues of General Fund	<u>\$ 9,370,984.00</u>
2.	Total Revenues of Special Revenue Funds	<u>\$13,096,594.00</u>
3.	Total Revenues of Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 299,509.00</u>
4.	Total Revenues of Capital Projects Funds	<u>\$ 421,607.00</u>
5.	Total Operating Revenues - Enterprise Funds	<u>\$ 1,265,460.00</u>
6.	Total Non-Operating Revenues - Enterprise Funds	<u>\$ 0</u>
7.	Total Non-Operating Revenues of Internal Service Funds	<u>\$ 0</u>
	TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUE	<u>\$ 24,454,154.00</u>

The above information was derived from Preble County's Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000.



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 6, 2001**