

**STATE OF MAINE/STATE PLANNING  
OFFICE**

**Determination of Public Benefit for  
Juniper Ridge Landfill Expansion**

**Department Order #S-020700-W5-AU-N**

**APPEAL – Edward S. Spencer**

- **Excerpts from the PBD Application for Expansion of JRL**

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Executive Department

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Director

September 15, 2011

Ms. Cynthia W. Darling  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Solid Waste Management  
Bureau of Remediation and Waste Management  
106 Hogan Road  
Bangor, Maine 04401

Subject: Application for Public Benefit Determination for the Proposed Expansion of the  
Juniper Ridge Landfill in Old Town

Dear Ms. Darling:

Please accept this letter as authorization for the Maine Department of Environmental Protection to accept NEWSME Landfill Operations LLC as the agent for the Maine State Planning Office in regards to the Application for Public Benefit Determination being submitted. The contact at NEWSME is Don Meagher, whose phone number is 207-862-4200 ext. 230 and mailing address is Pine Tree & Juniper Ridge Landfills, Casella Waste Systems, 358 Emerson Mill Road, Hampden, Maine 04444.

Also, please accept this letter as authorization for the engineering firm of Sevee & Maher Engineers, Inc. to serve as a consultant to NEWSME Landfill Operations LLC in the review of this application. The contact there is Mike Booth, whose phone number is 207-829-5016 and mailing address is P.O. Box 85A, Cumberland Center, Maine 04021.

Should you have questions on this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

George M. MacDonald, Manager  
Waste Management & Recycling Program

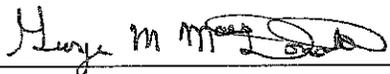


### SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

By signing this application, the applicant certifies that he or she has within 5 days prior to filing: (1) published the public notice form once in a newspaper circulated in the area where the project is proposed to be located, (2) sent a copy of the public notice form by certified mail to the owners of property abutting the land upon which the project is located, (3) sent a copy of the public notice form by certified mail to the chief municipal officer and chair of the municipal planning board of the municipality in which the project is located, (4) filed a complete copy of this application, including all supporting documents and amendments, with the appropriate town clerk, city clerk or, county commissioner of the municipality in which the project is located, and (5) reviewed the appropriate state laws that relate to the proposed project.

I certify that based upon my knowledge, experience, and the best available information, I believe the facility is not inconsistent with local, regional, or state waste collection, storage, transportation, processing, or disposal. I also certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined the information submitted in this document and all attachments thereto and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe the information is true, accurate, and complete. I, the property owner or lessee, authorize the Department to enter the property that is the subject of this application, at reasonable hours, including buildings, structures or conveyances on the property, to determine the accuracy of any information provided herein. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

DATE: 9/15/2011

NAME:   
(Applicant)

TITLE: Waste Management and Recycling Program Manager  
(If other than applicant, attach letter of agent authorization.)

**Include the following information to support this application for a public benefit determination.**

1. Describe the proposed facility. Include at a minimum: the location and acreage of the site; acreage within the solid waste boundary if the proposed facility is a landfill; the disposal capacity in cubic yards and the projected facility life; a list of the waste types, major sources, and estimated annual volumes to be handled at the facility; the geographic area to be served by the proposed facility; and a map showing the facility location.

**See Attachment 1, Sections 1.2, 1.5, and 1.7, and Attachment 5.**

2. Identify the immediate, short-term, or long-term capacity need(s) which this facility will address, and whether the capacity of the proposed facility will exceed that required to meet the identified need(s).

**See Attachment 2, Section 2.2.**

3. Describe how the proposed facility is consistent with the state waste management and recycling plan. (This is not required for proposals to expand commercial facilities that accept only special waste for landfilling.)

**See Attachment 3, Sections 3.0 to 3.4.**

4. Describe whether the facility is intended to: compete with presently available solid waste facilities, replace these facilities, or provide disposal services not presently available.

**See Attachment 4, Section 4.0.**

5. Provide documentation of your title, right or interest in the property proposed for facility development.

**See Attachment 6, Section 6.0.**

6. Provide a map showing all abutters and a list of names and mailing addresses for all abutters.

**See Attachment 7.0.**

*Please note that the Department may not accept an application for a new or expanded solid waste disposal facility for processing until the commissioner determines that the proposed facility or expansion provides a substantial public benefit.*

THIS FORM IS FOR USE IN NOTIFYING ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNERS, THE MUNICIPALITY, AND PUBLISHING THE NOTICE IN THE NEWSPAPER.

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE**

Please take notice that The State of Maine, acting through the State Planning Office, 38 State House Station,

Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 624-6245  
(name, address and telephone number of applicant)

is intending to file an application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on or about October 16, 2009 pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S.A., Sections 1310-N-sub-3-A and 1310-AA.  
(estimated submittal date)

The application is for a Public Benefit Determination for an approximate 108 acre expansion of the solid waste boundary of the Juniper Ridge Landfill located in Old Town, Maine  
(summary of project)

at 2828 Bennoch Road, Old Town, Maine 04468  
(project location)

According to Maine statute , 38 M.R.S. § 1310-AA(2), and Department regulations, DEP Chapter 400.5, the public must be notified of the intent to file the application and the Commissioner shall accept written public comment on the application for 20 days after the date of this public notice. The Commissioner may hold a public meeting in the vicinity of the proposed facility to take public comments, and will consider those comments in making the determination. .

The application and supporting documentation are available for review at the Department's Augusta office, during normal working hours. A copy of the application and supporting documentation may also be seen at the municipal offices in Old Town and Alton, Maine.  
(town)

Send all correspondence to: Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Program, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0017 (207-287-2651 or 1-800-452-1942).