

**Request For Extension Of Public Comment Period In The Matter Of A Draft License Permit For:  
Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine, Inc.  
Crossroads Landfill Phase 14 Expansion  
Norridgewock, Somerset County, Maine  
#S-010735-WD-YB-N**

Ms. Victoria Eleftheriou  
Deputy Director  
Bureau of Remediation and Waste Management

Dear Ms. Eleftheriou:

On Friday, April 23, 2021 the Department of Environmental Protection Licensing Division published a draft license approval with conditions of the application from Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine, Inc. to construct a 48+ acre expansion of its existing landfill operations at the Crossroads facility in Norridgewock.

The law provides for a minimum of five business days for the public to offer comment on the draft license. That date was set for Friday, April 30 at 5:00 P.M. The draft license consists of 96 pages, including appendixes. Due to the complex nature of the document, it is unreasonable to expect that the public can do a complete review and be prepared to offer argument in their interest within that short time period.

Therefore, it is incumbent upon the Department to extend the public comment period to accommodate the public's right and need to be meaningfully engaged in the process. Such a proposed undertaking by Waste Management Disposal Services, Inc. demands that the public be fully involved to ensure requirements pertaining to the public's rights per determination of public benefit are considered and met; that all solid waste laws and rules are rightfully interpreted and employed; that all regulatory attainable safeguards are exercised to protect air, water, natural resources, and Maine's environment; and that public health impacts are fully considered and honored by the Department's decision.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and I look forward to receiving notification that the public comment period has been appropriately extended.

Sincerely,  
Jacquelyn Elliott  
Waterboro, ME

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Submitted electronically

April, 28, 2021