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**RE: Conditional Approval: Solid Waste Corrective Action Workplan (CAW) of
October, 2025 for imported fill at 460 West Saddle River Road, Ridgewood Village
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Dear Messrs. Kazmark, Rutishauser, Pittarese and Ms. Feury,

The Bureau of Solid Waste Compliance & Enforcement (BSWC&E) has completed reviewing the referenced CAW and herein approves same in accordance with the following conditions:

1. The BSWC&E's review of the subject CAW is limited to facilitating the determination of compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act (SWMA). Accordingly, should the results of this corrective action indicate that materials remain on-site that trigger the definition of solid waste at N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.6(a)6, additional solid waste corrective action may be required.
2. The Department has established a policy that a site should not contain more than 1% by volume of visual solid waste. Accordingly, this CAW will need to attain same.
3. This conditional approval is limited to actions deemed necessary to address the removal of solid waste under the direct oversight of the BSWC&E. The conditions noted herein should not be construed to limit or replace any data collection for assessment or corrective action purposes that a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) retained to remediate this site pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26C may require in order to pursue a Response Action Outcome (RAO), regardless of the BSWC&E's directions to address the conditions that trigger the definition of solid waste at N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.6.
4. A representative from the BSWC&E will need to be on-site to observe the corrective action and post-excavation sample collection. For the purposes of complying with the SWMA, such representative has the authority to direct sample locations/analyte selection biased to areas of suspected contamination based upon conditions observed in the field. Such direction shall not preclude the LSRP from directing any

additional sampling locations beyond those indicated by the BSWC&E.

5. The Report of Findings shall include excavation logs which describe the materials encountered, note the PID readings recorded and the depth(s) of sample collection. A scaled site map shall be provided which depicts the areas excavated as well as the location and analytical results of the post-excavation sampling (including the pre-excavation solid waste boundary sampling that depicted areas that did not trigger the definition of solid waste). A copy of the PID calibration log shall be provided with the Report of Findings.
6. Unless otherwise stated herein, all sampling and analyses shall be conducted in accordance with the NJDEP Field Sampling Procedures Manual and the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation at N.J.A.C. 7:26E.
7. All laboratory analyses shall be performed by NJDEP Certified Laboratories as well as via the test methods for which such laboratories have specific NJDEP certifications to perform.
8. To augment the laboratory's Non-Conformance Summary, a statement of interpretation of the usability of the data, based on a review of the findings in the Non-Conformance Summary, shall be provided. Please note that the laboratory should denote the specific compounds that may be outside of Quality Control limits. The attached Data Review Form shall be completed.
9. Any post-excavation analytical results of compounds over any soil remediation standards at N.J.A.C. 7:26D shall be plotted on a scaled site map noting the locations of the corresponding samples as well as comparison to all soil remediation standards.
10. The BSWC&E understands that it is desired remove the soil berm that parallels Route 17 rather than delineate the chemical contamination that triggers the definition of solid waste. When removing the imported fill for the berm, as an added precaution, the excavation shall extend through at least the top six inches of the native soils.
11. It is incumbent upon the Village of Ridgewood to ensure that all excavations are properly managed to avoid ponding, storm water runoff concerns and to utilize backfill that meets the definition of Clean Fill as denoted at N.J.A.C. 7:26E -1.8. Such fill material shall either come from a documented virgin quarry per Contaminated Site Remediation and Redevelopment (CSRR) program requirements, or such fill shall be sampled and tested in accordance with CSRR's document: "Fill Material Guidance for SRP Sites", version of October 2021.

12. Solid Waste (visual or chemical) corrective actions that require any permits (for example, but not necessarily required or limited to, Soil Conservation District, Storm Water or Wetlands permits) shall be secured before the CAW is implemented. Within at least five business days prior to mobilizing to the site to implement the CAW, Ridgewood Village shall provide a written statement to the BSWC&E noting that any applicable, federal, State or local permits necessary to complete the solid waste corrective action have been secured.
13. Physical solid waste shall be removed and the fill within or beneath same shall be excavated to at least six inches into the native soils. Post-excavation samples of the sidewalls generated by such excavations shall be collected such that data available or attainable for at least Benzo[a]pyrene is in place at a frequency of at least one data point every thirty linear feet of excavation. To ensure that the BSWC&E field representative can confirm that such post-excavation sampling is being performed, a map depicting the locations of existing and proposed data points that achieve such post-excavation sampling frequency shall be submitted at least five business days prior to commencement of such excavations. Additional corrective action may be necessary based on the results of such post-excavation analyses. For areas of excavation of visual solid waste that encompass less than 25 square feet, provided the sidewalls are extended at least one foot beyond such areas and the vertical extent of the excavation is to the native soils, the collection of any post-excavation samples for such areas is left to the discretion of the retained LSRP.
14. Additional post-excavation sampling along the sidewalls of the planned excavations may be directed by the BSWC&E field representative based upon field observations, or, in incidents where the spacing between sidewall samples is considered excessive (ex. Between Grid-9 and Grid – 10A-E4).
15. Transporters who are hauling solid waste to a solid waste disposal facility shall have a solid waste license (A-901); a valid solid waste registration statement with current solid waste decals; and, a certificate of public convenience and necessity.
16. Unless the subject Soil and Fill/Aggregate Recyclable Material is taken to a New Jersey Class B Recycling Facility who's Recycling Approval specifically authorizes acceptance of the subject materials; or, the subject materials are transported to a site for which they are approved for beneficial use pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.7(g); or; the subject materials are taken to a site for integration into a remediation for which the LSRP retained pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26C approves such re-use; or, the subject materials are re-used in accordance with the acceptance criteria from a facility that holds a Solid Waste Facility Permit; or, the transporter of such materials has provided the annual certification to the NJDEP that they only handle Non-Restricted Soil and Fill Recyclable Materials; then, provided such materials do not trigger the definition of solid waste, the transporter of such materials shall have the

requisite documentation required by N.J.S.A. 13:1E-127 et seq. Please note that the deadline for transporters that do not have an A-901 Solid Waste License to be registered and therefore authorized to transport soil and fill recyclable materials that does not trigger the definition of solid waste was July 14, 2022.

17. Any areas where solid waste or soil and fill materials that do not contain solid waste which is staged pending distribution to either a disposal or recycling facility shall be removed from such staging area within six months of its placement. Such storage shall comply with storm water Best Management Practices and in accordance with any other applicable requirements from a storm water permit and any other applicable permit(s). Piles shall be securely covered and maintained with plastic sheeting or other effective covering.
18. The subject CAW has been signed by LSRP Mr. Chris Pittarese who has been retained to remediate this site pursuant to the Administrative Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated Site, N.J.A.C. 7:26 C. As such, the BSWC&E defers to Mr. Pittarese's expertise and responsibility to ensure that, prior to and during the implementation of the CAW, appropriate air monitoring and health and safety precautions are in place, maintained and properly communicated. Ridgewood Village shall be responsible to ensure that the requirements of such health and safety plan and air monitoring remain in place, or, if necessary, are expanded, during any phase of the solid waste corrective action regardless of any potential contractual changes or additions.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Regards,
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