PREBLE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL PREBLE COUNTY

AGREED UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001



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STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Preble County Sanitary Landfill 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* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the general purpose financial statements of Preble County, Ohio (the County), for the year ended December 31, 2001, and have separately issued our unqualified report thereon dated June 27, 2002.

In a letter to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency dated June 27, 2002, (the Letter) the County Auditor for the Preble County Landfill specified that certain amounts disclosed in that Letter were derived from the independently audited financial statements referred to in the first paragraph above.

We have performed the procedures described below as agreed to by the Board of County Commissioners and by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, solely to assist you in determining that certain amounts reported in the Letter agreed to, or can be computed from, amounts presented in the audited general-purpose financial statements. The Board of County Commissioners' management is responsible for the information presented in the Letter. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the addressees. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

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 the following amounts included in the Letter to the audited financial statements:

Alternative 2, Line No.

- 5 Total assured environmental costs
- 6 Total annual revenue

The amounts on lines 5 and 6 agreed to the general purpose financial statements of Preble County, or can be computed from amounts appearing therein. Line 5 includes total assured environmental costs following Governmental Accounting Statement Number 18. We followed the definitions 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 conduct an examination, the objective of which would be to express 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 we would have reported to you. Report of Independent Accountants on Applying Agreed-upon Procedures Preble County Sanitary Landfill Preble County Page 2

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the addressees listed above and should not be used by anyone else.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

August 1, 2002

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Mr. Christopher Jones Director State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Lazarus Government Center P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43266-0149

> RE: Preble County Landfill - Local Government Financial Test Demonstration - Annual Update 2002

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: \$5,592,950 Post-closure care cost: + \$2,138,563 Total = \$7,731,513 (see Schedule A)

This local government is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial (2)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, 2001.

ALTERNATIVE II

*6.

- 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): \$7,731,513
- Current bond rating of most recent issuance and name of rating service: AAA, S & P and A2, Moody's
- 3. Date of issuance of bond: December 6, 1996
- Date of maturity of bond: <u>December 1, 2016</u>
- Total assured environmental costs: <u>\$7,731,513</u>
- 7. Is line 5 divided by line 6 less than or equal to 0.43? YES

Total annual revenue: \$ 26,185,899

- Multiply line 6 by 0.43 = \$<u>N/A</u>. This is the maximum amount allowed to assure environmental costs.
- 9. Line 8 subtracted from line 5 = \$ N/A.

If not, complete line 8 and 9.

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".

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Harold E. Yoder COUNTY AUDITOR PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO

Date: June 27, 2002

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 (2002 Annual Update Using 2001 Figures)

Final Closure cost:		\$5,592,950
Post-closure care cost:	÷	\$2,138,563
Total	=	\$7,731,513

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

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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, 2001

1.	Total Revenues of General Fund	\$ 9,353,431
2.	Total Revenues of Special Revenue Funds	\$14,358,184
3.	Total Revenues of Debt Service Fund	\$ 306,272
4.	Total Revenues of Capital Projects Funds	\$ 917,727
5.	Total Operating Revenues - Enterprise Funds	\$ 1,250,285
6.	Total Non-Operating Revenues - Enterprise Funds	\$ O
7.	Total Non-Operating Revenues of Internal	
	Service Funds	\$ 0
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6. 7.	Total Non-Operating Revenues - Enterprise Funds Total Non-Operating Revenues of Internal Service Funds	\$ 0 \$ 0

The above information was derived from Preble County's Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001.



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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 SEPTEMBER 17, 2002