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**LANDFILL HOST AGREEMENT**

THIS LANDFILL HOST AGREEMENT (this “**Agreement**”), dated as of [●], 2023 (“**Effective Date**”), is by and between RUSSELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, a body politic and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia (the “**County**”), and [THE NOVA COMPANY OF VIRGINIA]1, a [●] corporation (“**Company**”). The County and the Company may each hereinafter be referred to individually as a, “**Party**” or collectively as, the “**Parties**”.

WHEREAS, Company owns that certain real property located within the County of Russell, Virginia, which is more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto (the “**Property**”);

WHEREAS, the Company desires to construct a landfill on the Property (the “**Landfill**”), which shall be for the disposal of solid non-hazardous waste; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement to set forth the terms and conditions that will govern the operation of the Landfill.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations and undertakings set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to the following:

**1. Conditions Precedent to Operation of the Landfill**.

1.1. Pre-Development Conditions. Prior to commencing development and construction of the Landfill, Company shall satisfy the following conditions (collectively, the “**Pre Development Conditions**”):

(a) Company shall submit to the County a pre-development package (the “**Pre Development Package**”) ~~containing~~, which shall incorporate the following:

~~(iii) a development budget and construction schedule for development of~~ ~~the Landfill;~~

(i) **~~(iv)~~** When available, a copy of Permit Plans and specifications for the development of the Landfill, which shall include, (A) a site plan and working drawings and specifications setting forth in detail work to be done with respect to the development of the Landfill.~~federal, state, and local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations, standards,~~

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~~rules, governmental requirements and policies, administrative rulings, court judgments and~~ ~~decrees, and all amendments thereto (collectively, “~~**~~Laws~~**~~”), including, without limitation,~~ ~~9VAC20-81-120 and 9VAC20-81-130) the liner base to be used~~ ~~in the Landfill; (C) a list of equipment required for structural, life safety, mechanical, electrical,~~ ~~and plumbing systems, ((E) plans~~ ~~for parking and other facilities, (F, and (G)~~ ~~all other details reasonably requested by the County~~;

~~, provided by one or more qualified persons~~;

(ii) **~~(vi)~~**a traffic study by qualified persons, which includes detailed analyses of anticipated travel routes and the impact of the Landfill on traffic volume in the surrounding area~~, provided by one or more qualified persons;~~;

(iii) Company shall retain the services of a qualified engineering consultant with experience in evaluating the potential for mine subsidence and its possible effects on the integrity of the Landfill;

~~(vii) a Phase I and/or Phase II Environmental Site Assessment with~~ ~~respect to the Landfill and/or an environmental impact study showing the potential impacts of the~~ ~~Landfill on its surroundings, as well as measures to mitigate or compensate for such impacts, in~~ ~~each case provided by one or more qualified persons;~~

~~(viii) studies addressing the impact of impoundments, and the proximity~~ ~~of mine shafts, at or near the Landfill site, provided by one or more qualified persons;~~

(vii) an evaluation of slope stability for all components of the Landfill, including the design and construction of the Landfill.

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(ix) Company’s plans for monitoring, detecting, collecting, storing, and transporting leachate at the Landfill, which shall comply with 9VAC20-81-210~~, and monitoring~~ ~~groundwater, which shall comply with 9VAC20-81-250;~~ ;

(x) Company’s plans for monitoring, detecting, preventing, storing, removing, and remediating the impacts of household hazardous wastes, (collectively, “**Household Hazardous Wastes**”);

~~(xi) the anticipated daily disposal volume of the Landfill;~~

~~(xii) the anticipated service area of the Landfill;~~

~~(xiii) a pro-forma operating budget for the Landfill;~~

~~(xiv) a closure plan, which shall comply with the requirements of~~ ~~9VAC20-81-160; and~~

~~(xv) any other information reasonably requested by the County.~~

~~(b) In the event the County has comments to the Pre-Development Package,~~ ~~Company agrees to revise and resubmit the Pre-Development Package.~~

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(xi) Company’s design for a synthetic liner system (the “**Landfill Liner System**”) and engineering analyses that demonstrate compliance of such design with applicable Governmental Requirements;

(xii) Company’s plans for a groundwater monitoring system, which shall comply with 9VAC20-81-250 and shall include monitoring wells around the perimeter of the Landfill (within the buffer areas), subject to VDEQ approval of the location of such wells (collectively, the “**Groundwater Monitoring System**”); and

(xiii) Company’s plans for an air monitoring system, which shall comply with all applicable Governmental Requirements (the “**Air Monitoring System**”).

(b) **~~(c)~~**Company shall apply for and obtain all Required Authorizations, including, without limitation, a new solid waste management facility permit from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (“**VDEQ**”), pursuant to the requirements of § 10.1-1408.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950) (the “**Permit**”). Prior to submitting an application for the Permit to VDEQ, Company shall submit such application to the County for review~~, comment, and approval.~~ ~~Upon the County’s approval of the Permit application, Company shall submit~~  ~~In addition, Company agrees that, in the event the County proposes~~  ~~any changes to any application for the Permit or any other Required Authorization that would~~ ~~enhance structural or operational standards with respect to the Landfill, Company will include such~~ ~~changes in such application or otherwise in its plans and specifications for the Landfill.~~

~~(d) Company shall obtain, at its sole cost and expense, a landfill or closure bond~~ ~~that is sufficient to cover closure costs and post-closure monitoring and remediation costs with~~ ~~respect to the Landfill; and in any event, such bond shall meet all requirements set forth by VDEQ.~~

(c) **~~(e)~~**Company shall obtain, at its sole cost and expense, the following insurance coverages (collectively, the “**Required Insurance Policies**”):

(i) Commercial general liability insurance with limits of at least $1,000,000 per occurrence and $2,000,000 in the aggregate;

(ii) Workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance covering Company’s employees that perform services in connection with the Landfill in an amount no less than statutory requirements, with employer's liability limits of at least: (A) $1,000,000 each

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accident for bodily injury by accident, (B) $1,000,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease, and (C) $1,000,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease;

(iii) Automobile liability insurance covering owned, hired, and non owned vehicles, with a limit of at least $1,000,000 each accident;

(iv) Environmental insurance with a limit of at least [$1,000,000]; and

(v) Umbrella liability insurance ~~for the coverages provided under~~ ~~Sections 1.1(e)(i), (iii), and (iv)~~ with a limit of at least $5,000,000.

All insurance shall be obtained and require at least thirty (30) days advance notice to the County of an intention to cancel the policy. Company shall deliver to the County evidence of such insurance and evidence of renewal or replacement policies no later than ten (10) days before the expiration thereof.

1.2. Construction.

(a) Company shall conduct the Construction , and maintain the Landfill throughout the Term, in accordance with the plans and specifications set forth in the Permit. ~~Company shall not deviate from the plans and specifications set forth in~~ ~~the Pre-Development Package without the County’s prior written consent.~~

(b) Company will at all times comply with all applicable ~~Laws with respect to~~ ~~the Construction, including, without limitation, 9VAC20-81-130, all Required Authorizations, and~~ ~~all other~~ Governmental Requirements and Required Authorizations, including all required permitted plans, authorizations, and conditions applicable to Construction.

(c) During the Construction, Company shall:

(i) ~~(d)During the Construction, Company shall p~~ermit the County access to the Landfill siteto ~~oversee~~ review Company’s compliance with the plans and specifications set forth in the Permit.

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1.3. Expenses. All costs and expenses incurred by Company to satisfy the PreDevelopment Conditions and during the construction phase of the Landfill shall be born exclusively by Company. Upon signing this Agreement, Company shall make a payment to the County in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) to defray the costs and expenses already incurred by the County in connection with the development of the Landfill and this Agreement.~~In addition, during the Construction, Company shall reimburse the County up to two~~ ~~hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) per year, beginning as of the Effective Date (without~~ p~~roration for any shorter period), for expenses incurred by the County with respect to the~~ ~~development of the Landfill, including, without limitation, expenses incurred with respect to~~ ~~attorneys and consultants (the “~~**~~Development Reimbursement~~**~~”).~~

**2. Operations; Host Fee**.

2.1. Authorization to Operate; Compliance with ~~Laws~~Governmental Requirements.

(a) Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 1, and conditioned upon Company’s compliance with the Permit (as may be amended from time to time), all other Required Authorizations (as may be amended from time to time), and this Agreement, Company shall be permitted to operate the Landfill as a sanitary landfill in accordance with the Virginia Waste Management Act (the “**Act**”) (Va. Code §§ 10.1-1400, et seq.) and the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (the “**Regulations**”) (9 Va. Admin Code §§ 20-81-10, et. seq.).

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(b) Company shall at all times during the Term operate the Landfill in compliance with all ~~applicable Laws, including, without limitation, 9VAC20-81-~~ ~~140~~Governmental Requirements.

2.2. Acceptable Waste.

(a) The ~~Landfill~~ Company may accept at the Landfill any Municipal Solid Waste, Industrial Waste, Construction Waste, Demolition Waste, and Debris Waste (collectively, “**Acceptable Wastes**”)~~.~~; and the Company shall accept at the Landfill County Waste, as provided herein.

~~(b)Company shall operate the Landfill as a sanitary landfill, and, notwithstanding any statement herein~~ ~~to the contrary, shall accept only those wastes authorized by the Act and Regulations, the Permit~~ ~~and all other Required Authorizations (as each may be amended from time to time), and this~~ ~~Agreement.~~

(b) **~~(c)~~**Company shall notify the County prior to submitting any request to VDEQ for approval of ~~special waste~~Specialty Waste.

(c) **~~(d)~~**Fly ash will be accepted at the Landfill ~~solely for use as cover or~~ ~~construction material,~~ and shall be managed in compliance with the Permit and all applicable ~~Laws~~ ~~and permit requirements~~Governmental Requirements.

2.3. Unacceptable Waste.

(a) Notwithstanding Section 2.2, Company shall not accept for disposal in the Landfill any of the following (collectively, “**Unacceptable Wastes**”):

(i) Any material that is toxic, infectious, pathological, highly

flammable, explosive, radioactive or otherwise reasonably determined by Company~~Company~~  to be dangerous;

(ii) Any material the disposal of which would violate p~~resent or future~~

~~Laws or Required Authorizations (as may be amended from time to time)~~the Permit or any applicable Governmental Requirements;

(iii) Any Hazardous Materials;

(iv) Any nonhazardous domestic, irrigation return flows or industrial

wastewater sludges not approved for disposal by VDEQ regulations, or industrial discharges which are point sources subject to permits under § 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (86 Stat. 880); or

(v) Any nuclear or by-product material as defined by the Atomic Energy

Act of 1954, as amended (68 Stat. 923)~~; or~~.

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~~(vi) Any material number of animal carcasses disposed of in a single day~~ ~~or, except as authorized by the Permit, without specific written approval by the County.~~

~~(b) Notwithstanding Section 2.3(a), Company may, with the County’s consent,~~ ~~establish a facility and process for the temporary collection and storage of Household Hazardous~~ ~~Wastes. Company shall be responsible for periodically removing such Household Hazardous~~  ~~Wastes from the Landfill, in accordance with applicable Law.~~

2.4. Initial Screening; Removal of Unacceptable Wastes.

(a) Company shall be responsible for initial screening of all ~~wastes~~ Wastes delivered to the Landfill to determine (i) whether the ~~waste~~ Waste is Acceptable Waste or Unacceptable Waste; and (ii) as applicable, the appropriate disposition within the Landfill. If deemed reasonably necessary by the Company, Company may use sensors to assist this determination.

(b) In the event Unacceptable Wastes are deposited in the Landfill, Company shall promptly remove or cause to be removed the Unacceptable Waste from the Landfill and cause the same to be disposed of in accordance with all applicable ~~Laws~~Governmental Requirements. Company may charge the person responsible for delivering such Unacceptable Wastes for the cost of removal of such ~~wastes~~Wastes, so long as Company posts conspicuous signs warning of such charges, and such charges do not violate any ~~Law~~Governmental Requirements.

~~2.5. Service Area. The service area for the Landfill will be [●]~~~~2~~ ~~(the “~~**~~Service Area~~**~~”).~~ ~~The Parties may otherwise agree in writing from time to time to expand the Service Area or to~~ ~~approve special projects from other locations.~~

2.5. ~~2.6.~~Weighing and Scales.

(a) All vehicles entering and leaving the Landfill to dispose of ~~waste~~ Waste shall be weighed.

(b) All loads delivered by rail shall be weighed by rail carrier.

(c) Company will operate scales at the Landfill entrance or at such other location as may be determined by Company to ensure the proper weighing of loads being delivered to the Landfill. Scales will be of a type and quality customarily used in the industry and shall be properly maintained and operated by Company. Company shall report scale data to the County on a monthly basis in such form as the Parties shall agree and make scale data available for review by the County at the Landfill during normal business hours upon reasonable notice.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, trucks owned by Company and other regular users shall not need to be weighed upon leaving if the vehicle tare weights are known. Such trucks must be weighed at least annually to check these weights.

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~~2.7. Volume and Capacity.~~

2.6. Volume and Capacity. The daily ~~waste~~ Waste volume accepted for disposal in the Landfill will not exceed the amount approved under the Permit, (the “**Maximum Volume**”) ~~unless such daily volume limitation~~ ~~is increased in accordance with Section 2.7(b) or as otherwise~~ . County ~~Waste and Resident~~ Waste shall be excluded from the Maximum Volume.

~~(b) Company may, by written request to the County, request an increase in the Maximum Volume,~~ p~~rovided that Company is maintaining, in the reasonable judgment of the Board, (i) continued~~ ~~compliance with all applicable Laws with respect to the operation of the Landfill, (ii) continued~~ ~~compliance with all Required Authorizations, including the Permit, (iii) timely Host Fee payments~~ ~~as required by this Agreement, and (iv) timely payments of all other amounts due to the County~~ ~~under this Agreement. Subject to the requirements of the preceding sentence, the County shall not~~ ~~unreasonably withhold or delay its approval of any such request; provided, that, (1) as a condition~~ ~~to such approval, the County may require Company to pay all or a portion of the cost of all rail~~ ~~and/or road improvements that the County deems necessary with respect to such increased volume,~~ ~~and reasonable legal and consulting fees incurred by the County in connection with such request;~~ ~~and (2) the County may reject, in its sole discretion, any request for the Maximum Volume to exceed~~ ~~[●]~~ ~~3~~~~tons.~~

~~(c) On a daily basis throughout the Term, Company agrees not to accept any~~ ~~waste for disposal in the Landfill if such acceptance will exceed the Maximum Volume with respect~~ ~~to such day.~~

2.7. ~~2.8.~~Host Fee.

**~~Amount (Tons/Day) Charge/Ton~~~~4~~**

~~Up to 1,000 $3.00~~

~~1,001 to 2,000 $4.00~~

~~2,001 to 3,000 $5.00~~

~~3,001 to 4,000 $6.00~~

~~4,001 to 6,000 $7.00~~

(a) Company will pay to the County a host fee (“**Host Fee**”) p~~er ton~~ ~~for each ton of waste disposed of in the Landfill. The Host Fee shall be calculated~~ at a rate which is based on the tonnage of Waste (other than County Waste) accepted per month at the Landfill each month throughout the Term. Company shall calculate the Host Fee on a monthly basis ~~and payment shall be made b~~y first determining the tonnage of Waste (other than County Waste) delivered per month to the Landfill during the applicable month, and then multiplying the appliable Host Fee rate by the aggregate tonnage of Waste (other than County Waste) delivered to the Landfill that month. Company shall pay the Host Fee to the County as determined in exhibit B

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2.8(d). The applicable Host Fee rate shall be determined as ~~follows:~~set forth on Exhibit B attached hereto.

(c) All County Waste ~~and Resident Waste~~ (including Acceptable Wastes from any County Collection Site) shall be accepted ~~for free disposal~~ at the Landfill at the tipping fees set forth for County Waste on Exhibit C. In calculating the Host Fee, Company shall exclude all County Waste ~~and Resident Waste. The Host Fee shall be paid for all other material or waste~~ ~~accepted at the Landfill for final disposal~~

(d) Company shall pay the Host Fee to the County within ~~twenty~~ thirty (~~20~~30) days after the end of each month during the Term. Such payment shall be made in accordance with the ~~Company’s~~ County’s directions, which the ~~Company~~ County may, by written notice to Company, change from time to time.

(e) Beginning ~~[●]~~in the year in which occurs the second (2nd) anniversary of the approval of the Permit or the calendar year in which Waste is first accepted at the Landfill, whichever occurs later~~6~~, Company will guarantee a minimum Host Fee payment to the County of ~~one~~ one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000~~100,00~~) per year for the term of this Agreement (the “**Minimum Host Fee**”), whether or not such volume has been received at the Landfill.

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2.8. Disposal Guarantee. Company guarantees that ~~:~~it will accept County Waste at the Landfill; provided, that, Company shall not accept any such ~~waste~~ Waste that constitutes an Unacceptable Waste~~; and~~.

~~(c) residents of Russell County shall be permitted to use the Landfill for the~~ ~~disposal of their own Acceptable Wastes (“~~**~~Resident Waste~~**~~”) for so long as the Landfill is open~~ ~~and is accepting such waste; provided, that, Company will only be required to accept Resident~~ ~~Waste (i) delivered by residents in their personal, non-commercial vehicles (i.e., non-commercial~~ ~~cars and pickup trucks without side-rails); (ii) upon presentation of evidence reasonably~~ ~~satisfactory to Company that the resident is indeed a resident of Russell County (which may~~ ~~include, but is not limited to, the resident’s driver’s license showing a Russell County address,~~  ~~together with a utility bill showing such address). Company may deny access to the Landfill to~~ ~~anyone who attempts to bring such waste who is not a resident of Russell County, and may~~ ~~establish reasonable restrictions and measures with respect to the amount of Resident Waste~~ ~~accepted in a given time period.~~

2.9. ~~2.10.~~County Collection Sites.

(a) The County has established, and may further develop, County Collection Sites. The County Collection Sites consist (or may in the future consist) of recycling containers, trash disposal containers, and compacting equipment. ~~The maximum number of County Collection~~ ~~Sites shall be [●].~~~~7~~

(b) The County shall determine, in its sole discretion, the operating hours of each County Collection Site.

(c) ~~Company shall, upon the County’s written request, and without charge,~~ p~~rovide disposal service for each County Collection Site, including~~ The County shall be responsible for the collection and transportation of the ~~waste~~ Waste from ~~such sites~~ the County Collection Site to the Landfill~~,~~ in order to provide disposal of the ~~county’s~~ County’s residential, non-commercial, non-industrial solid ~~waste. Such pickups shall occur no less than twice per~~ ~~week.~~Waste.

(d) All Acceptable Wastes from any County Collection Site shall be treated as County Waste.

~~(d) With respect to any existing County Collection Site, or upon establishment~~ ~~of any additional County Collection Site, the County may, by written notice to Company, assign~~ ~~to Company, and Company shall assume from the County, operational control of such sites. As~~ ~~applicable, Company shall obtain all permits and approvals necessary for the operation of such~~ ~~County Collection Sites and shall operate the same in accordance with all applicable Laws.~~

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~~(e) At any time, the County shall have the right to close, on a permanent or~~ ~~temporary basis, decommission, and dismantle any County Collection Site.~~

2.10. ~~2.11.~~Hours of Operation; Access and Security; Service Area.

~~(a) The Landfill shall be open Monday through Saturday, except for New~~  ~~Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas~~ ~~Day.~~ (a) The landfill operating hours shall be as determined by the Company.

(b) ~~(b)The Landfill shall~~ The Landfill may be open for deliveries by trucks a maximum of thirteen (13) hours per day, Monday through Friday, and a maximum of ten (10) hours per day on Saturday, but shall not open earlier than 6:00 a.m., nor close later than 10:00 p.m. Landfill personnel shall remain onsite as long as necessary following primary disposal hours to complete all necessary daily shut-down tasks. Access after normal hours shall be restricted to Company’s authorized personnel.

(c) ~~(c)~~Access to the Landfill shall be limited to (i) rail car access and (ii) ~~a single~~ controlled public access p~~oint p~~oints by road. Company shall control such access points with locked gates (the “**Access Gates**”) ~~and fencing around the Landfill,~~ and an attendant shall be present at each Access Gate during operating hours to screen incoming ~~waste~~Waste. The Access Gate attendants shall screen out ~~unauthorized rail cars and vehicles and rail cars and vehicles with~~ ~~unauthorized cargo~~ Unacceptable Waste (e.g., by requesting a description of the waste from the operator) and unauthorized rail cars and vehicles, and shall turn away those not permitted into the Landfill. In addition, signs shall be conspicuously posted in and around the Landfill informing users of ~~acceptable and non-acceptable types of waste.~~what constitutes Acceptable Waste and Unacceptable Waste.

~~(d) Access will be further controlled by personnel in the scalehouse, the Leachate Storage Facility,~~ ~~and any facility established for the collection and/or storage of Household Hazardous Wastes, each~~ ~~of which will be located inside the Access Gates.~~

(d) ~~(e)Company shall~~ Company may install and maintain appropriate video security at the Landfill~~, which shall capture a video record of all entering rail cars and vehicles.~~ ~~Company shall maintain such video recordings for a reasonable period of time, but in any event~~ ~~for at least one (1) year~~.

(e) ~~(f)~~Traffic flow shall be regulated by adequate signing in and around the Landfill.

(f) ~~(g)~~The ~~Parties acknowledge and agree that the p~~rimary method of delivery of waste to the Landfill (other than County Waste ~~and Resident Waste~~) shall be performed by rail. For purposes of this Section 2.10(e), “primary method” means seventy percent (70%) or more of tonnage of Waste delivered to the Landfill on an aggregate basis per year. Company shall ensure that the Landfill is accessible by rail car delivered waste and shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred in connection with such access. Such access shall be subject to applicable ~~Laws. Company shall~~ p~~ermit no more than [●]~~~~8~~ ~~trips per day by rail to the Landfill~~Governmental Requirements.

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(f) Trucks shall only access the Landfill through approved routes. ~~As a condition to the County’s approval of any~~ ~~truck route, the County may require Company to pay the cost (or a portion thereof) of road~~ ~~improvements along any proposed route. Subject to the two immediately preceding sentences, only~~ ~~trucks operated by or on behalf of the (h) Company shall be admitted to the Landfill for tipping~~ ~~and Company’s deliveries shall not exceed an average of two vehicles per hour. Company shall~~ p~~ermit no more than [●]~~~~9~~ ~~trips per day by commercial truck to the Landfill.~~

(g) ~~(i)~~Private cars and pickup trucks shall b~~e directed to a special disposal area~~ ~~away from the active~~ not be permitted to dispose of Waste at the Landfill.

(h) There shall be no limit on the service area of the Landfill.

2.11. ~~2.12.~~Point of Contact. Throughout the Term, Company shall identify and communicate to the County one or more persons to serve as Company’s point of contact for the Landfill (the “**Company POC**”). The Company POC (or his designee, as communicated to the County) shall be available to the County in the case of an emergency, twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

~~2.13. Recycling. Company shall construct, permit, operate and maintain a recycling drop off center at the Landfill (the “~~**~~Recycling Center~~**~~”) for the recycling of applicable Acceptable~~ ~~Wastes, including newspapers, mixed paper, magazines and catalogs, aluminum cans, steel and tin~~ ~~cans, glass, plastic bottles, metals, and cardboard. The Recycling Center shall be open on the same~~ ~~days and during the same hours as the Landfill. Company shall make arrangements for the~~ ~~recycling of the waste delivered to the Recycling Center. Company shall comply with all Laws~~ ~~applicable to the Recycling Center and the recycling of the waste delivered thereto.~~

2.12. ~~2.14.~~Complaints. The County shall provide written notice to Company of public complaints received by the ~~Board~~ County with respect to the Landfill, and upon receipt of such notices, Company shall give prompt and courteous attention to such complaints.

**3. Environmental and Siting Matters; Leachate Management; Monitoring**.

3.1. Compliance with Environmental Laws. Without limiting the requirements of Section 2.1, Company shall at all times comply with all Environmental Laws with respect to the construction, operation, closure, and post-closure monitoring of the Landfill.

3.2. Buffers and Screening. Throughout the Term, Company shall ensure that all areas of the Landfill which are used for the disposal of ~~waste~~ Waste shall have buffers and vegetative screening which are sufficient to meet all requirements set forth by the VDEQ or applicable

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(a) not less than five hundred (500) feet from the nearest residence, church, school or recreational area as of the date of this Agreement;

(b) not less than five hundred (500) feet from any well or spring being used for drinking water as of the date of this Agreement;

(c) not less than one hundred (100) feet from any regularly flowing channel of water as of the date of this Agreement, and

(d) not less than fifty (50) feet from any public road as of the date of this Agreement.

3.3. Litter Control. All Acceptable Waste shall be compacted as soon as practicable after it is unloaded at the Landfill. Cover material shall be applied daily in accordance with the Permit. The working area will be kept as small as practicable to minimize the potential for blowing debris. Litter control will be provided by temporary fencing or cover, if necessary.

3.4. Site Drainage. Subject to the Permit and any applicable Governmental Requirements, Company shall, throughout the Term:

(a) keep all drainage ways at the Landfill free of debris and other obstructions to the flow of water;

(b) excavate all sediment ponds as the need arises with the trapped sediment being returned as cover material on the Landfill; and

(c) prevent water contaminated with leachate from being discharged from the Landfill to the natural drainage outfalls.

3.5. Odor Management. Company agrees to take reasonable steps to mitigate odor at and around the Landfill throughout the Term. In the event in Company or the County receives any complaints with respect to odor caused by the Landfill, Company shall adopt and implement an odor management plan, which shall comply with 9VAC20-81-200, as applicable.

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3.6. Leachate Management. Company shall implement, operate, and maintain ~~a leachate~~ ~~leak detection system, a leachate management system, and the Leachate Storage Facility at the~~ ~~Landfill. The leachate detection system~~ the Leachate Management System throughout the Term. The Leachate Management System shall be sufficient to test water quality parameters for the presence of leachate on a continuous basis. The Leachate ~~Storage Facility~~ Management System shall be sufficient to store leachate for up to ~~ninety~~ sixty (~~90~~60) days, or such longer period as may be required by VDEQ or applicable ~~Law~~Governmental Requirements. Under no circumstances shall Company allow untreated leachate to escape the Landfill areas into surrounding surface or ground waters.

3.7. Groundwater Sampling and Testing. Company shall ~~construct and maintain~~ ~~monitoring wells around the perimeter of the Landfill (and within the buffer areas) with~~ maintain the Groundwater Management System throughout the Term, subject to VDEQ’s approval of the locations of said wells ~~to be approved by VDEQ prior to their construction~~. All drilling logs will be retained and made available at the County’s request. ~~Beginning with the execution of this~~ ~~Agreement, or as soon thereafter as practicable,~~ Company shall take groundwater samples quarterly and analyze such samples per the parameters established by the VDEQ. Company shall provide this information to the VDEQ and the County, thereby establishing the basis for future and on-going monitoring efforts.

3.8. Surface Water Sampling and Testing. On a quarterly basis or as required by VDEQ, throughout the Term, Company shall sample all natural surface water bodies which flow through or adjoin the Landfill site for flow and water quality, upstream and downstream of the possible point of impact by the facility. Company shall send such samples to a laboratory certified by the Commonwealth of Virginia for analysis, and if requested shall provide a copy of the results to the County. In the event such samples show significant changes, Company shall take additional samples and perform additional analyses to determine which water quality parameters have changed, if the changed conditions violate water quality standards or other relevant and appropriate standards or requirements, and to identify the potential source of pollutants. If the Landfill is found to be the cause of such changes in water quality, Company shall take immediate action to correct the pollution.

3.9. Residential Water Monitoring. Throughout the Term, Company shall implement a residential water supply monitoring program at all drinking water supplies (wells) located within three thousand (3,000) feet, or as required by VDEQ, of the Landfill. Company shall report the results of such monitoring to the County on a quarterly basis. If the Landfill is found to be the cause of any change which would deem the drinking water to be unsafe, Company shall take immediate action to correct the pollution.

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3.10. Landfill Liner. Company shall maintain the Landfill Liner System throughout the Term in accordance with the designs set forth in Governmental Requirements.

3.11. Air Sampling and Testing. Throughout the Term, Company shall maintain the Air Monitoring System per the parameters established by the VDEQ. Company shall provide this information to the VDEQ, thereby establishing the basis for future and on-going monitoring efforts.

**4. Reporting and Recordkeeping**.

4.1. Reporting. Throughout the Term, Company shall keep records of ~~waste~~ Waste received and the County shall have the right , upon request, to inspect and ~~audit~~ review the same insofar as they pertain to the operation of the Landfill. The records shall show the type, weight, ~~source~~ and volume of ~~waste~~ Waste received; any deviations ~~made~~ from the p~~lan of~~ ~~operation~~Permit; those parts of the Landfill currently used; ~~receipt~~ records; and copies of all of its inspection reports, monitoring data, and disposal arrangements of rejected or removed loads. Such reports shall be prepared and available to the County on a quarterly basis.

4.2. Information Sessions. At the County’s request, but no more than monthly, Company shall meet with the ~~Board~~ County Administrator or its designee to discuss Landfill operations, compliance issues or reports, complaints, resolutions, and other matters requested by the ~~Board~~County.

4.3. Notices of Violation. Company shall, within fifteen (15) Business Days of receipt, notify the County in writing of any notice of violation (or similar notice) it receives arising from operation of the Landfill. Subject to any reasonable challenge or appeal, Company shall immediately take steps to comply with any such notice of violation.

4.4. Annual ~~Certificate~~Report. Company shall prepare and issue an annual ~~certificate~~ report of its Landfill operations showing annual tonnages of Waste received at the Landfill, and receipts issued by Company. Company shall make available such ~~certificate~~ report to the County no later than March 1 of each year. The County will hold in confidence and not disclose nor use any such information furnished or disclosed to it without the express written approval of Company, treating such information in the quarterly reports and annual ~~certificate~~ report with the same degree of care and confidentiality with which it treats its own proprietary information. However, such information may be subject to the Freedom of Information Act (“**FOIA**”), and the County shall not be in breach of this Section 4.4 in the event the County discloses such information in connection with any such FOIA request.

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**5. Monitoring**.

5.1. Monitoring by County.

~~(ii) stop any vehicle entering the Landfill and inspect the same;~~

(ii) ~~(iii)~~ County may review work undertaken at the Landfill;

(iii) ~~(iv)participate in or~~ County may observe the taking of samples required under applicable ~~Law~~Governmental Requirement;

(iv) ~~(v)such~~ County may take independent tests of ~~waste~~Waste, surface water, or groundwater ~~or otherwise as the Landfill Liaison deems appropriate~~; and

(v) ~~(vi)~~review all test results and reports obtained in connection with the Landfill.

~~5.3. Landfill Liaison Reimbursement. Company will reimburse the County $[●]~~~~10~~ ~~per~~ ~~annum to defray costs and expenses of employing a the County’s Landfill Liaison (the “~~**~~Landfill~~**

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**~~Liaison Reimbursement~~**~~”). The amount of reimbursement shall be adjusted annually in January~~ ~~of each year based on the CPI for the preceding year. The Landfill Liaison shall be a County~~ ~~employee or independent contractor, and shall not be an employee or contractor of Company. The~~ ~~Landfill Liaison Reimbursement shall be due by January 30 each year.~~

~~5.4. Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement. Company will reimburse the County~~ ~~up to $[●]~~~~11~~ ~~per annum to defray costs and expenses of the County’s monitoring and inspection~~ ~~activities (the “~~**~~Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement~~**~~”) (without duplication of the~~ ~~Landfill Liaison Reimbursement). The amount of reimbursement shall be adjusted annually in~~ ~~January of each year based on the CPI for the preceding year. The Company shall present~~ ~~documentation of its monitoring and inspection expenses by January 10 of each year so that the~~ ~~Parties can determine the amount of the Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement. The~~ ~~Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement shall be due by January 30 of each year.~~

**6. Maintenance and Repairs; Noise and Lighting**.

6.1. General Maintenance Responsibilities. Company shall be solely responsible for the performance and expense of all maintenance and repair activities with respect to the Landfill, including all such activities with respect to the facilities, fixtures, and equipment located thereon ~~or used in connection therewith~~.

~~6.2. Damage to Surrounding Infrastructure. To the extent trucks or rail cars delivering~~ ~~or hauling waste to or from the Landfill cause damage to the surrounding roads, rail, or other~~ ~~infrastructure, Company agrees to participate equitably in the repairs of such damage.~~

6.2. **~~6.3.~~**Internal Roads. Roads and other passageways within the operating Landfill shall be graded as necessary to maintain smooth, well drained surfaces. During dry periods, these operating roads and passageways will be sprayed with water if necessary to reduce dust ~~problems~~. Company shall be responsible for maintaining such roads and passageways in accordance with Permit.

6.3. **~~6.4.~~**~~N~~oise and Lighting. Company shall take such steps as are necessary to prevent excessive noise levels associated with operations of the Landfill ~~from exceeding 67 decibels (not~~ ~~including ambient noise) when measured at the property line of the Landfill site~~ (not including the normal sounds of trucks entering the site)~~. No external speakers shall be permitted at the Landfill~~

**7. Insurance**. Company shall maintain all Required Insurance Policies throughout the Term. ~~Upon the County’s request, from~~ From time to time, Company ~~shall~~ may increase the coverage limits of any or all Required Insurance Policies b~~y a reasonable amount or~~ as may be necessary to

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comply with any applicable ~~Laws~~ Governmental Requirements or Required Authorizations ~~(as~~ ~~may be amended from time to time).~~.

**8. Financial Assurances; Facility Closure; Post-Closing Monitoring and Maintenance**. 8.1. Financial Assurances.

(a) Throughout the Term, Company shall:

(i) maintain a closure bond or other financial assurances in an amount that is sufficient to cover closure costs and post-closure monitoring and remediation costs with respect to the Landfill; and in any event, which is sufficient to meet all requirements set forth by VDEQ;

(ii) comply with all financial assurance regulations set forth by VDEQ, including the maintenance of prescribed financial test ratios and/or the payment of funds or provision of other financial assurances; and

(iii) maintain and, upon request, provide to VDEQ records of Company’s compliance with such financial assurance requirements~~; and~~.

~~(iv) on an annual basis, permit the County, or its third party consultants,~~ ~~to conduct a review of the sufficiency of such financial assurances; and, in the event the County,~~ ~~as a result of such review, determines that such financial assurances are inadequate, Company~~ ~~shall, within ninety (90) days of such determination, increase its financial assurance mechanism to~~ ~~the satisfaction of the County.~~

(b) Throughout the Term, Company shall maintain a performance bond in an amount that is sufficient, as determined by VDEQ to enforce Company’s obligations (the “**Performance Bond**”).

8.2. Landfill Closure. Company shall conduct the closure of the Landfill (the “**Closure**”) in compliance with all applicable ~~Laws, including, without limitation, 9VAC20-81-~~ ~~160~~Governmental Requirements. Company shall provide its closure plan (as may be reasonably amended to comply with applicable ~~Law~~ Governmental Requirements or take into consideration any changes permitted hereunder) to the County no less than ~~two~~ one (~~2~~1) ~~years~~ year prior to the anticipated closure of the Landfill.

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8.3. Post-Closure. Following the Closure, Company shall comply with all post-closure requirements set forth ~~under applicable Law, including, without limitation, the requirements of~~ ~~9VAC20-81-170~~in the Permit or as otherwise required by applicable Governmental Requirements.

**9. Additional Covenants**. Company agrees as follows:

9.1. Company shall not maintain or operate the Landfill in such a manner as to pose a substantial present or potential hazard to human health or the environment.

9.2. Company shall not abandon or cease to operate the Landfill, sell, lease or transfer the Landfill, or enter into any Change of Control agreement, without notifying the County and without properly transferring the Permit in accordance with the Regulations and other applicable ~~Law.~~Governmental Requirements.

~~9.3. Company shall not change key personnel without notice to and consent from the~~ ~~County and the Director of VDEQ. For purposes of this Agreement, “key personnel” shall include,~~ ~~without limitation, the following persons: [●].~~~~12~~

9.3. Subject to, and without limiting, the terms and conditions of this Agreement or any Governmental Regulations or Required Authorizations, Company shall not, without providing the County~~’s~~ prior written ~~consent~~notice, permit any significant change in the manner and scope of operation of the Landfill which may require new or additional permit conditions or safeguards to protect the public health and environment.

**10. Term**.

10.1. Term. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution and shall remain in effect until ~~waste is no longer accepted at~~ the Landfill is closed in accordance with Section 8.2 and Section 8.3, unless sooner terminated by written agreement of the Parties (the “**Term**”). The Parties acknowledge that the closure period for the Landfill pursuant to the Act and Regulations will extend the Term beyond the closure of the Landfill.

10.2. Pre-Closure Notice. Company will notify the County, in writing, at least one hundred eighty (180) days prior to ceasing acceptance of ~~waste~~ Waste at the Landfill.

**11. Representations and Warranties**. Company represents and warrants to the County, as of the date hereof and throughout the Term, as follows:

11.1. Organization. Company is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing as a corporation or other entity as represented herein under the laws and regulations of its jurisdiction of incorporation, organization, or chartering, and is qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

~~12~~ ~~Names of key personnel to be included.~~

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11.2. Authorization. Company has the full right, power, and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and the execution of this Agreement by its representative whose signature is set forth at the end hereof has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action.

11.3. Beneficial Ownership. The Owners, collectively, own one hundred percent (100%) of the beneficial ownership (whether directly or indirectly) of Company.

11.4. Binding. When executed and delivered by Company, this Agreement will constitute the legal, valid, and binding obligation of Company, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms.

11.5. Compliance. Company is in compliance with, and shall operate the Landfill and perform its obligations hereunder in compliance with, all applicable ~~Laws~~ Governmental Requirements and all Required Authorizations.

11.6. Personnel. Company will operate the Landfill using personnel of required skill, experience, and qualifications and in a professional manner and shall devote adequate resources to meet its obligations under this Agreement.

11.7. No Convictions. N~~o~~ In the past five (5) years, no key personnel of Company has been convicted of any ~~of the following crimes, which are~~ crime that is punishable as ~~felonies~~ a felony under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, or the equivalent thereof under the laws of any other jurisdiction~~: murder; kidnapping; gambling; robbery; bribery; extortion; criminal~~ ~~usury; arson; burglary; theft and related crimes; forgery and fraudulent practices; fraud in the~~ ~~offering~~, ~~sale, or purchase of securities; alteration of motor vehicle identification numbers;~~ ~~unlawful manufacture, purchase, use or transfer of firearms; unlawful possession or use of~~  ~~destructive devices or explosives; violation of the Drug Control Act, Chapter 34 (§ 54.1-3400 et~~ ~~seq.) of Title 54.1; racketeering; violation of antitrust laws;~~ or has been adjudged by an administrative agency or a court of competent jurisdiction to have ~~violated the environmental~~ p~~rotection laws~~ committed a material violation of any Environmental Laws of the United States, the Commonwealth of Virginia , or any other state.

**12. Events of Default; Remedies; Indemnification**.

12.1. Events of Default.

(a) Each of the following events or conditions shall constitute an “**Event of Default**” (whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or come about or be effected by any requirement of any applicable ~~Law~~Governmental Requirement):

(i) Company fails to pay, within ~~five~~ thirty (~~5~~30) ~~Business Days~~ days of the date due, any amount, or portion thereof, due to the County hereunder~~, including, without~~ ~~limitation, any Development Reimbursement, Host Fee, Minimum Host Fee, Landfill Liaison~~ ~~Reimbursement, or Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement~~;

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(ii) any representation, warranty, certification ~~made or deemed made by or on behalf of b~~y the Company herein proves to have been false or misleading in any material respect on or as of the date made;

(iii) Company fails to perform or observe any covenant, term, condition, or agreement contained in this Agreement, and such failure continues unremedied for a period of ~~ten~~ thirty (~~10~~30) ~~Business Days~~ days after written notice to Company;

(iv) any Change of Control Occurs without the County’s prior notice;

(v) Company (A) commences any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future Debtor Relief Law, seeking (1) to have an order for relief entered with respect to it, or (2) to adjudicate it as bankrupt or insolvent, or (3) reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts, or (4) appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its assets, or (B) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors;

(vi) there is commenced against Company in a court of competent jurisdiction any case, proceeding or other action of a nature referred to in Section 12.1(a)(v) above which (A) results in the entry of an order for relief or any such adjudication or appointment or (B) remains undismissed, undischarged, unstayed or unbonded for sixty (60) days;

(vii) Company takes any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the acts set forth in Section 12.1(a)(v) or Section 12.1(a)(vi); or

(viii) Company is generally not, or is unable to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due.

(b) If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the County may, upon written notice to Company, take any or all of the following actions, which shall be in addition to any other remedy available to the County at law or in equity:

~~(i) Issue a Stop Work Order, upon receipt of which, Company shall~~ ~~immediately halt all operations at the Landfill, except for those operations which are necessary to~~ p~~rotect against the threat of material harm to human health or the environment.~~

(i) Seek any remedy provided for under this Agreement;

~~(ii) Demand that Company close the Landfill, and thereafter, Company~~ ~~shall proceed to close the Landfill in accordance with Sections 8.1 and 8.2.~~ (ii) ~~(iii)~~Extend the period during which Company may remediate such Event of Default; provided, that, if such Event of Default is unremedied at the end of such extended period, such Event of Default shall then be continuing~~.~~; or

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(iii) ~~(iv~~ May notify the VDEQ of such Event of Default.

12.2. Remedies.

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(b) Notwithstanding any statement herein to the contrary, no Party hereunder shall be liable for any indirect, exemplary, or punitive damages in connection with a breach of this Agreement.

12.3. Indemnification.

(a) Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County from all claims, demands and actions, legal or equitable, costs, liabilities and expenses (including court costs and reasonable attorney’s fees) (collectively, the “**Costs**”) that arise from or in connection with the Landfill or Company’s design, construction, operation, maintenance, monitoring and closure thereof, Company’s breach of any covenant, representation, or warranty provided hereunder, or otherwise in connection with this Agreement or the County’s enforcement thereof. ~~Company further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County from any action brought by~~ ~~any landowner seeking damages for any reason as a result of the Landfill, including personal~~ ~~injury, property taking, property damage, or inverse condemnation. However, Company shall not~~ b~~e liable for Costs arising out of willful acts or omissions of the County, its officers, agents,~~ ~~employees, or representatives, or breaches of any express representation, warranty or covenant by~~ ~~the County contained in this Agreement.~~

(b) Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County from any action brought by any third party seeking damages for any reason as a result of the Landfill, including personal injury, property taking, property damage, or inverse condemnation. However, (i) Company shall not be liable for Costs arising out of willful acts or omissions of the County, its officers, agents, employees, or representatives, or breaches of any express representation, warranty or covenant by the County contained in this Agreement; and (ii) the term “Costs” shall not include any indirect, exemplary, or punitive damages.

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(c) ~~(b)~~As of the date of this Agreement, as between Company and the County, Company shall be liable for, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from, all Costs arising out of or in connection with the condition of the Landfill, and the County shall not be liable for any such condition which pre-dates or post-dates the date of this Agreement.

(d) Any Party making a claim for indemnification under this Section 12.3 (an “Indemnitee”) shall notify the indemnifying Party (an “Indemnitor”) of the claim in writing promptly after receiving written notice of any action, lawsuit, proceeding, investigation or other claim against it (if by a third party), describing the claim, the amount thereof (if known and quantifiable), and the basis thereof; provided that the failure to so notify an Indemnitor shall not relieve the Indemnitor of its obligations hereunder except to the extent that (and only to the extent that) such failure shall have caused the damages for which the Indemnitor is obligated to be greater than such damages would have been had the Indemnitee given the Indemnitor prompt notice hereunder. Any Indemnitor shall be entitled to participate in the defense of such action, lawsuit, proceeding, investigation or other claim giving rise to an Indemnitee’s claim for indemnification at such Indemnitor’s expense, and at its option (subject to the limitations set forth below) shall be entitled to assume the defense thereof by appointing counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnitee to be the lead counsel in connection with such defense; provided further that, prior to the Indemnitor assuming control of such defense it shall first (i) verify to the Indemnitee in writing that such Indemnitor shall be fully responsible (with no reservation of any rights) for the entirety of all liabilities relating to such claim for indemnification and that it will provide full indemnification (whether or not otherwise required hereunder) to the Indemnitee with respect to such action, lawsuit, proceeding, investigation or other claim giving rise to such claim for indemnification hereunder and (ii) enter into an agreement with the Indemnitee in form and substance satisfactory to the Indemnitee which agreement unconditionally guarantees the payment and performance of any liability which may arise with respect to such action, lawsuit, proceeding or investigation; and provided further, that:

(i) the Indemnitee shall be entitled to participate in the defense of such claim and to employ counsel of its choice for such purpose; provided that the fees and expenses of such separate counsel shall be borne by the Indemnitee (other than any fees and expenses of such separate counsel that are incurred prior to the date the Indemnitor effectively assumes control of such defense which, notwithstanding the foregoing, shall be borne by the Indemnitor);

(ii) the Indemnitor shall not be entitled to assume control of such defense and shall pay the fees and expenses of counsel retained by the Indemnitee if (A) the claim for indemnification relates to or arises in connection with any criminal proceeding, action, indictment, allegation or investigation; (B) the Indemnitee reasonably believes an adverse determination with respect to the action, lawsuit, investigation, proceeding or other claim giving rise to such claim for indemnification would be detrimental to or injure the Indemnitee’s reputation or future business prospects; (C) the claim seeks an injunction or equitable relief against the Indemnitee; (D) upon petition by the Indemnitee, the appropriate court rules that the Indemnitor failed or is failing to vigorously prosecute or defend such claim; or (E) the Indemnitee reasonably believes that the loss relating to such claim for indemnification could exceed the maximum amount that such Indemnitee could then be entitled to recover under the applicable provisions of this Agreement; and

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(iii) if the Indemnitor shall control the defense of any such claim, the Indemnitor shall obtain the prior written consent of the Indemnitee before entering into any settlement of a claim or ceasing to defend such claim if, pursuant to or as a result of such settlement or cessation, injunctive or other equitable relief will be imposed against the Indemnitee or if such settlement does not expressly and unconditionally release the Indemnitee from all Liabilities with respect to such claim, with prejudice.

**13. Miscellaneous**.

13.1. Further Assurances. Each Party shall, upon the reasonable request of the other Party, execute such documents and perform such acts as may be necessary to give full effect to the terms of this Agreement.

13.2. Relationship. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any agency, partnership, joint venture, or other form of joint enterprise, employment, or fiduciary relationship between the Parties, and neither Party shall have authority to contract for or bind the other Party in any manner whatsoever.

13.3. Notices. All notices, requests, consents, claims, demands, waivers, and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (a) when delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt); (b) when received by the addressee if sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier (receipt requested); (c) on the date sent by email if sent during normal business hours of the recipient, and on the next Business Day if sent after normal business hours of the recipient or (d) on the third (3rd) day after the date mailed, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Such communications must be sent to the respective Parties at the addresses indicated below (or at such other address for a Party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section 13.3).

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*If to the County*: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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13.4. Interpretation. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) the words "include," "includes," and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation"; (b) the word "or" is not exclusive; and (c) the words "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereto," and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole. Unless the context otherwise requires, references herein: (x) to Sections, Schedules, and Exhibits refer to the Sections of, and Schedules and Exhibits attached to

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this Agreement; (y) to an agreement, instrument, or other document means such agreement, instrument, or other document as amended, supplemented, and modified from time to time to the extent permitted by the provisions thereof and (z) to a statute means such statute as amended from time to time and includes any successor legislation thereto and any regulations promulgated thereunder. This Agreement shall be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the party drafting an instrument or causing any instrument to be drafted. The Schedules and Exhibits referred to herein shall be construed with, and as an integral part of, this Agreement to the same extent as if they were set forth verbatim herein.

13.5. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with all Schedules and Exhibits and any other documents incorporated herein by reference, constitutes the sole and entire agreement of the Parties to this Agreement with respect to the subject matter contained herein, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings and agreements, both written and oral, with respect to such subject matter.

13.6. Assignments. Company may not assign, transfer, or delegate any or all of its rights or obligations under this Agreement, including by operation of law, Change of Control, merger, or a sale of substantially all of Company’s assets, without the prior written notice to the County. Any attempted assignment, transfer, or other conveyance in violation of the foregoing shall be null and void. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

13.7. No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit, or remedy of any nature whatsoever, under or by reason of this Agreement.

13.8. Headings. The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

13.9. Amendments. This Agreement may be amended, modified, or supplemented only by an agreement in writing signed by each Party hereto. No waiver by any Party of any of the provisions hereof shall be effective unless explicitly set forth in writing and signed by the Party so waiving. Except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, no failure to exercise, or delay in exercising, any rights, remedy, power, or privilege arising from this Agreement shall operate or be construed as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power, or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power, or privilege.

13.10. Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other term or provision of this Agreement or invalidate or render unenforceable such term or provision in any other jurisdiction. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the Parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in a mutually

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acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

13.11. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Attorney Fees. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the Commonwealth of Virginia or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of Laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any legal suit, action, or proceeding arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be instituted exclusively in the federal courts of the United States , located in the Western District of Virginia, Abingdon Division, or the courts of the Commonwealth of Virginia ~~in each case~~ , located in the County of Russell, Virginia, and each Party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such suit, action, or proceeding. Service of process, summons, notice, or other document by mail to such Party's address set forth herein shall be effective service of process for any suit, action, or other proceeding brought in any such court. If any action, suit, or other legal or administrative proceeding is instituted or commenced by either Party hereto against the other Party arising out of or related to this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs from the non-prevailing Party.

13.12. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, email or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

**14. Definitions**. The following terms have the meanings specified or referred to below: 14.1. “**Access Gates**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.11(c~~2.10(b). 14.2. “**Act**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

14.3. “**Acceptable Wastes**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a). 14.4. “**Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

14.5. “**Air Monitoring System**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a)(x)(iii).

14.6. ~~14.5.~~“**Bankruptcy Code**” means Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended from time to time, or any similar federal or state law for the relief of debtors.

14.7. ~~14.6.~~“**Board**” means the Russell County Board of Supervisors.

14.8. ~~14.7.~~“**Business Day**” means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or other day on which commercial banks in Richmond, Virginia are authorized or required by Law to be closed for business.

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14.9. ~~14.8.~~“**Change of Control**” means a transaction or a series of transactions in which the individuals who constitute the Owners cease for any reason to own, directly or indirectly, fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding equity interests of Company.

14.10. ~~14.9.~~“**Closure**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.2.

14.11. ~~14.10.~~“**Company**” shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble. 14.12. ~~14.11.~~“**Company POC**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.12~~2.11.

14.13. ~~14.12.~~“**Construction Requirements**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(d)(i).

14.14. ~~14.13.~~“**Construction Waste**” means solid waste that is produced or generated during construction, remodeling, or repair of pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures. Construction Wastes include, but are not limited to lumber, wire, sheetrock, broken brick, shingles, glass, pipes, concrete, paving materials, and metal and plastics if the metal or plastics are a part of the materials of construction or empty containers for such materials. Paints, coatings, solvents, asbestos, any liquid, compressed gases or semi-liquids and garbage are not Construction Wastes.

14.15. ~~14.14.~~“**County**” shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

14.16. ~~14.15.~~“**County Collection Site**” shall mean each ~~waste~~ Waste collection site and/or transfer center owned by the County~~, as more particularly described on Exhibit B attached hereto.~~ ~~Exhibit B may be amended from time to time as the County establishes or decommissions each~~ ~~collection site or transfer center~~.

14.17. ~~14.16.~~“**County Waste**” means all Acceptable Wastes generated by or on behalf of the County, including the agencies, departments and other entities staffed primarily by County employees, public schools located in the County, and institutions administered and funded by the County, including jails, parks and playgrounds, and placed for curbside collection. County Waste shall also include all Acceptable Wastes collected and picked up at each County Collection Site.

14.18. ~~14.17.~~“**CPI**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.8(b~~2.7(b).

14.19. ~~14.18.~~“**Debris Waste**” means wastes resulting from land-clearing operations. Debris Wastes include, but are not limited to stumps, wood, brush, leaves, soil, and road spoils.

14.20. ~~14.19.~~“**Debtor Relief Laws**” means the Bankruptcy Code and all other liquidation, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, conservatorship, moratorium, receivership, insolvency, rearrangement, reorganization or similar debtor relief laws of the US or other applicable jurisdictions in effect from time to time.

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14.21. ~~14.20.~~“**Demolition Waste**” means that solid waste that is produced by the destruction of structures and their foundations and includes the same materials as construction wastes.

14.22. ~~14.21.~~“**Effective Date**” has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

14.23. ~~14.22.~~“**Environmental Laws**” means all present and future Laws relating to pollution or protection of human health, wildlife, natural resources, or the environment (including ambient air, surface water, groundwater, land surface, or subsurface strata) including such laws governing or regulating the use, generation, storage, removal, remediation, recovery, treatment, handling, transport, disposal, control, c, discharge of, or exposure to, Hazardous Materials. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Environmental Laws include the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601, et seq., the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 6901, et seq., the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 2601, et seq., the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1251, et seq., the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. Section 5101, et seq., the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. Sections 7401, et seq., the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 300f, et seq., the Occupational Safety and Health Act, 29 U.S.C. Chapter 15, et seq. relating to Hazardous Materials, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 U.S.C. Sections 1251, et seq., the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. Section 136, et seq., and the River and Harbors Appropriation Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 403, et seq., and all regulations adopted thereunder and all state and local analogs. In addition to the foregoing, Environmental Laws also means and includes all voluntary cleanup programs and brownfields programs under federal, state, or local law and all requirements imposed by any Environmental Permit.

14.24. ~~14.23.~~“**Event of Default**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.1(a). 14.25. ~~14.24.~~“**FOIA**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.4.

14.26. ~~14.25.~~“**Governmental Authorities**” means any and all federal, state, county, city, town, other municipal corporation, governmental or quasi-governmental board, agency, authority, department, or body having jurisdiction over the Landfill.

14.27. ~~14.26.~~“**Governmental Authorizations**” means the permits, licenses, variances, entitlements, approvals, and other actions that, under Governmental Requirements applicable to the Landfill, have been or must be issued, granted, or taken by Governmental Authorities in connection with the Landfill.

14.28. ~~14.27.~~“**Governmental Requirements**” means building, zoning, subdivision, traffic, parking, land use, environmental, occupancy, health, accessibility for disabled, and other applicable ~~laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements,~~ Laws and decrees of any Governmental Authority pertaining to the Landfill. This term shall include the conditions or requirements of Governmental Authorizations.

14.29. “**Groundwater Monitoring System**” has the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a)(xii).

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14.30. ~~14.28.~~"**Hazardous Materials**" means any substance, chemical, material, or waste now or in the future defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous material," "hazardous waste," "toxic substance," "toxic pollutant," "regulated substance," "contaminant," or "pollutant" (or words of similar import) within the meaning of, or regulated or addressed under, any Environmental Law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Hazardous Materials includes: mold; petroleum and petroleum products and compounds containing them or derived from them, including gasoline, diesel fuel, oil, and other fuels and petroleum products or fractions thereof; pesticides and herbicides; radon; carcinogenic materials; explosives; flammable materials; infectious materials; corrosive materials; mutagenic materials; radioactive materials; polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs"), and compounds containing them; lead and lead-based paint ("LBPs"); asbestos or asbestos containing materials ("ACMs") in any form that is or could become friable; underground or aboveground storage tanks, whether empty or containing any substance; and any medical products or devices, including those materials defined as "medical waste" or "biological waste" under relevant statutes or regulations pertaining to any Environmental Law.

14.31. ~~14.29.~~“**Host Fee**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.8(a~~2.7(a).

14.32. ~~14.30.~~“**Household Hazardous Wastes**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~1.1(a)(ix~~1.1(a)(viii).

14.33. ~~14.31.~~“**Industrial Waste**” means any solid waste generated by manufacturing or industrial process that is not a regulated hazardous waste. Such waste may include, but is not limited to, waste resulting from the following manufacturing processes: electric power generation; fertilizer/agricultural chemicals; food and related products/byproducts; inorganic chemicals; iron and steel manufacturing; leather and leather products; nonferrous metals manufacturing/foundries; organic chemicals; plastics and resins manufacturing; pulp and paper industry; rubber and miscellaneous plastic products; stone, glass, clay, and concrete products; textile manufacturing; transportation equipment; and water treatment. This term does not include mining waste or oil and gas waste.

14.34. ~~14.32.~~“**Landfill**” shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

14.35. ~~14.33.~~“**Landfill Liaison**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(d)~~.~~(i).

14.36. ~~14.34.~~“**Landfill ~~Liaison Reimbursement~~Liner System**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~5.3.~~1.1(a)(xi).

~~14.35. “~~**~~Laws~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a)(iv).~~

14.37. “**Laws**” means all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, codes, rules, ordinances, regulations, standards, governmental requirements and policies, administrative rulings, court judgments and decrees, and all amendments thereto.

14.38. ~~14.36.~~“**Leachate ~~Storage Facility~~Management System**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a)(ix).

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14.39. ~~14.37.~~“**Maximum Volume**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.7(a)~~2.6.

14.40. ~~14.38.~~“**Minimum Host Fee**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~2.8(e~~2.7(e).

~~14.39. “~~**~~Monitoring and Inspection Reimbursement~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth~~ ~~in Section 5.4.~~

14.41. ~~14.40.~~“**Municipal Solid Waste**” means that waste that is normally composed of residential, commercial, and institutional solid waste and residues derived from combustion of these wastes.

14.42. ~~14.41.~~“**Owners**” means [●].~~13~~3

14.43. ~~14.42.~~“**Party**” or “**Parties**” shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble. 14.44. ~~14.43.~~“**Performance Bond**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(b). 14.45. ~~14.44.~~“**Permit**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~1.1(c~~1.1(b).

14.46. ~~14.45.~~“**Pre-Development Conditions**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1.

14.47. ~~14.46.~~“**Pre-Development Package**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a).

14.48. ~~14.47.~~“**Property**” shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

~~14.48. “~~**~~Recycling Center~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.13.~~ 14.49. “**Regulations**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

14.50. “**Required Authorizations**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.1(a)(i).

14.51. “**Required Insurance Policies**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~1.1(e).~~1.1(c).

14.52. “**Specialty Waste**” means Household Hazardous Wastes, electronic or "e-waste" (computers, TVs, VCRs, stereos, copiers, fax machines), white goods (refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, freezers) and other similar materials.

~~14.52. “~~**~~Resident Waste~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9(c).~~ ~~14.53. “~~**~~Service Area~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5.~~

~~13~~3To list the individual beneficial owners of Company (including any parent entity).

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~~14.54. “~~**~~Stop Work Order~~**~~” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(e).~~ 14.53. ~~14.55.~~“**Term**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.1.

14.54. ~~14.56.~~“**Unacceptable Wastes**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a). 14.55. ~~14.57.~~“**VDEQ**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~1.1(c~~1.1(b). 14.56. ~~14.58.~~“**Violation Notice**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(e).

14.57. “**Waste**” means any type of waste, including, without limitation, Construction Waste, County Waste, Debris Waste, Demolition Waste, Household Hazardous Wastes, Industrial Waste, Municipal Solid Waste, Specialty Waste, and Unacceptable Wastes.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

[**THE NOVA COMPANY OF VIRGINIA**]~~14~~4

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**RUSSELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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~~14~~4Legal entity name/place of incorporation to be confirmed.

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**Exhibit B**

**Host Fee/County Waste Rates**

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