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May 17, 2016

Mr. Rob Sherman, General Manager
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Sunshine Canyon Landfill
14747 San Fernando Road
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Dear Mr. Sherman:

**REQUEST FOR STATUS AND SCHEDULED MILESTONES ON ISSUES IDENTIFIED
IN THE FOURTH QUARTER SITE MONITORING STATUS REPORT
SUNSHINE CANYON CITY/COUNTY LANDFILL
14747 SAN FERNANDO ROAD, SYLMAR, CALIFORNIA 91342
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 00-194-(5)**

At the April 21, 2016, Facility & Plan Review Subcommittee (FPRS) meeting, the members of the subcommittee were presented with the Sunshine Canyon Landfill Independent Monitor Quarterly Site Monitoring Status Report (Status Report) for reporting period from October 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015. In reviewing the Status Report, the Task Force has noticed non-compliance items detailed in the Status Report provided by UltraSystems (attached). Consequently, the Task Force requests Republic Services to provide status updates and milestones on its effort to mitigate these identified non-compliance items. Listed below are those items, which include but are not limited to the following:

1. In early October, it was observed that a secondary access road from City Deck C to the oil field and Sesnon Boulevard had not been graded or surfaced with rock (pg. 5, last paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Fire Service Section 12.04 of the County Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Summary (MMRS).
2. The secondary access road from City Deck C to the oil field and Sesnon Blvd. had not been graded nor surfaced with rocks (pg. 16, 5th paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Fire Service Section 12.04 of the County MMRS.

3. In mid-November, the monitors observed high winds exceeding 25 mph that caused the landfill to stop operations. Blowing dust was occurring on the inactive areas. Use of soil sealant should be investigated for these areas. The use of water from trucks had minimal effectiveness when the high winds were blowing (pg. 9, 2nd paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Air Quality Section 6.02 of the County MMRS.
4. Two oil well casings were observed in the area north of the new offices. These casings had not been lowered or re-abandoned in the fourth quarter (pg. 9, 4th paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Grading Activities Section M-4.1.1 of the City Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Programs (MMRP).
5. The liquid breakout of leachate or condensate downhill from Well CHC-912 along the road in late October (pg. 11, 3rd paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Odor/Landfill Gas Section 7.06 of the County MMRS.
6. The native hillside drainage south of the material storage area and Basin D has the discharge into Basin D blocked by soil placed to have an access road (pg. 14, 2nd paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.
7. The geomembrane liner on a section of the Basin D outlet channel needed to be fixed because the large membrane flap at entry to the channel needs to be affixed to the shotcrete so water will not flow under and affect the flow pattern in the channel (pg. 14, 3rd paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.
8. In late October, the sidewalls of the terminal sedimentation basin had horizontal cracks with vegetation growing out of the cracks. Vegetation should be removed and crack sealed (pg. 14, 4th paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.
9. Basin A had approximately one foot of standing water that was not draining through the rock into the outlet risers. The drainage channel out of Basin A was blocked with soil with 20-inch HDPE pipe being the only flow to the westside channel (pg. 14, 5th paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.

10. In December, removal of soil on top of the retaining wall along San Fernando Road had not been scheduled. The wall had the top channel blocked. Two oak trees were losing soil around roots and could slide into San Fernando Road and powerlines (pg. 14-15, last paragraph on page 14 of the Status Report of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.
11. The westside concrete drainage channel had not been scheduled for repair. Portions of the floor continue to lift and sidewall cracks were worsening (pg. 15, 2nd paragraph of the Status Report of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Surface Water Section 2.15 of the County MMRS.
12. No progress was made in finalizing an agreement between Republic and the City to use the Chatsworth Reservoir as a wetland mitigation site (pg. 15, last paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Wetlands and Riparian Habitat Section 4.4.2/69 of the City MMRP.
13. In December, monitors observed oil and other liquids in the dirt in a drainage ditch on the south side of the leachate treatment facility site (pg. 16, 2nd paragraph of the Status Report). Non-compliance with the Hazardous Materials Section 4.4.2(94) of the City MMRP.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,

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