



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

FAYETTE COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL
FAYETTE COUNTY

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Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Fayette County
133 South Main Street
Suite 303
Washington Courthouse, Ohio 43160
and
The 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 Fayette County for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have separately issued our unqualified report thereon dated August 26, 2003.

In a letter to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency dated August 26, 2003 (the Letter), Penny Johnson, County Auditor of the Fayette County Sanitary 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 Fayette County, 133 South Main Street, Washington Court House, Ohio 43160 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 [basic] financial statements. Fayette County's 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)(5)(c), 3745-27-16(L)(5)(c) and 3745-27-18(M)(5)(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 line 5 and 6 agree to the general purpose financial statements of Fayette County, or can be computed from amounts appearing therein. We followed the definition for line 6 included in the *State Support Document for the Local Government Financial Test*, issued November 27, 1996 by the USEPA. Line 5 includes total assured environmental costs reported in the fund² financial statements following Governmental Accounting Statement Number 18.

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.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betty Montgomery". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

August 26, 2003

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Mr. Christopher Jones, Director
State of Ohio EPA
122 S. Front Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Fayette County Sanitary Landfill Local Government Financial Test Demonstration

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am the Chief Financial Officer of Fayette County, 133 South Main Street, Washington Court House, Ohio. This letter is in support of Fayette County'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 facility 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 facility for which financial assurance for any other environmental obligations are assured by a financial test. The current final closure, post-closure care, and/or corrective measures cost estimates, and any other environmental obligations provided for by a test are shown for each facility:

Fayette County Landfill
1600 Robinson Road SE,
Washington Court House Ohio, 43160

Final Closure Cost Estimate	\$ 0
Post-Closure Cost Estimate	\$1,099,340
Total	<u>\$1,099,340</u>

2. This local government is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial 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 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: \$ 0.

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, 2002.

Alternative II

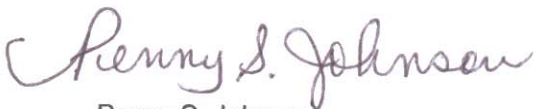
1. Sum of current final closure, post-closure, and/or corrective measures cost estimates and any other environmental obligations assured by a financial test (total of all cost estimates shown in the two paragraphs above): \$1,099,340
2. Current bond rating of most recent issuance and name of rating service: Aaa-Moody's
3. Date of issuance of bond: July 1, 2001
4. Date of maturity of bond: December 1, 2021.
5. *Total assured environmental costs: \$1,099,340.
6. *Total annual revenue: \$51,199,027
7. Is line 5 divided by line 6 less than or equal to 0.43? . . .

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
X	

If not, complete line 8 and 9.

8. Multiply line 6 by 0.43 = \$ N/A. This is the maximum amount allowed to assure environmental costs.
9. Line 8 subtracted from line 5 = \$ N/A. This amount must be assured by another financial assurance mechanism listed in paragraph (F), (G), (I), or (J), respectively, in rules 3745-27-15, 3745-27-16, and paragraphs (G), (H), (J), or (K) in rule 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"



Penny S. Johnson
County Auditor
Fayette County

August 26, 2003



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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 23, 2003**