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DATE: June 20, 2016

TO: Roy W. Brower, Solid Waste Compliance and Cleanup Program Director

FROM: Hila Ritter, Solid Waste Authorization Coordinator
Juan Garcia, Solid Waste Authorization Coordinator

RE: Issuance of Renewed Solid Waste Facility License No. L-045-16 for S&H Logging, Inc.

Attached for your signature is renewed Solid Waste Facility License No. L-045-16 for S&H Logging, Inc. ("S&H"), a locally owned and operated yard debris reload facility located at 20200 SW Stafford Road in Tualatin (Metro District 2). This memo provides background information on the applicant's request and recommends that Metro issue a renewed license to S&H.

BACKGROUND



The applicant, S&H, is a Metro-licensed yard debris reload facility that is currently authorized to accept source-separated yard debris and wood waste for reloading to authorized processing facilities for composting or use as hogged fuel. S&H also shares common ownership with three other Metro-licensed facilities; S&H Cornelius - a composting facility in Cornelius, S&H Columbia - a yard debris reload facility in North Portland, and S&H Landscape Products & Supply - a yard debris

reload facility in Hillsboro.

On March 21, 2016 Metro received a complete application from S&H requesting the renewal of its current solid waste facility license (No. L-045-11A). S&H's current license commenced on December 1, 2011, and will expire on June 30, 2016. The facility has operated under authority of a Metro license since 2002.

Under Metro Code Section 5.01.055, the proposed license renewal is to be approved or denied by the Chief Operating Officer ("COO"). On July 1, 2015, the COO delegated authority to the Solid Waste Compliance and Cleanup ("SWCC") Director to carry out license renewals. As such, the SWCC Director is authorized to grant this license renewal.

PUBLIC NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

On March 30, 2016, Metro issued public notice of the license renewal application and provided an opportunity for the public to submit comments. The public comment period ended on April 29, 2016. Public notice was mailed to about 35 property owners located near the facility. Notice was also posted on the Metro web site and emailed to a list of Metro-area stakeholders that have a general interest in solid waste issues. In response to the public notice, Metro received no comments regarding the proposed license renewal.

COMPLIANCE HISTORY OF THE APPLICANT

Metro has conducted 20 inspections of S&H since the current license was issued on December 1, 2011. S&H is currently in compliance with Metro's requirements and has not had any significant compliance issues regarding Metro requirements during the term of its existing license. In addition, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has reported no compliance issues at the facility during that time. S&H is not required to obtain a DEQ solid waste facility permit.

Staff finds that the facility has generally had a good compliance history and plays an important role in the region's solid waste recovery efforts. As such, it is in the public interest to renew S&H's license as described above.

METRO CODE RENEWAL CRITERIA

Metro Code Section 5.01.055 states that:

The Chief Operating Officer shall renew a Solid Waste Facility License unless the Chief Operating Officer determines that the proposed renewal is not in the public interest, provided that the Licensee files a completed application for renewal accompanied by payment of an application fee of three hundred dollars (\$300) not less than 120 days prior to the expiration of the License term, together with a statement of proposed material changes from its initial application for the License and any other information required by the Chief

Operating Officer. The Chief Operating Officer may attach conditions or limitations to any renewed License.

On March 21, 2016 S&H filed a complete application for renewal of its current license accompanied by payment of an application fee of \$300. The license renewal application included all of the required information and was submitted to Metro within the timeframe specified in Code. S&H's application seeks to renew its existing authority with no substantive changes in the proposed license.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends issuing Solid Waste Facility License No. L-045-16 which renews S&H's authority to accept and reload source-separated yard debris and wood waste for delivery to authorized processing facilities for composting or use as hogged fuel. The proposed license includes standard conditions carried forward from the current license with no substantive changes. The term of the proposed license becomes effective on July 1, 2016, and will expire on June 30, 2021. A copy of the proposed license is attached for your signature.