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April 23, 2012

RE: Blair County Municipal Waste Management Plan

Subj: Infectious and Chemotherapeutic Waste Management Practices in Blair County

Dear Infectious and Chemotherapeutic Waste Generators and Transporters:

The Blair County Commissioners are currently in the process of revising their Municipal Waste Management Plan. This revision is required by the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling, and Waste Reduction Act (PA Act 101).

The new plan will update the 2002 Blair County Municipal Waste Management Plan. The update will be formatted to serve as a reference manual for public officials responsible for the implementation and coordination of various waste management programs. The main goals of the plan are to assure county residents of at least ten years of disposal capacity for waste generated within the County, to identify and provide recommendations on current solid waste management issues, and to address goals such as offering increased recycling opportunities and finding ways to increase recycling rates in the County.

On behalf of the County, Barton & Loguidice (B&L), the planning consultant for this work (with assistance from Nittany Engineering Associates), is requesting information in the form of a survey (attached) regarding infectious and chemotherapeutic waste management practices in the County. It is also requested that infectious and chemotherapeutic waste collection and disposal companies estimate how much of this waste they collect and dispose of. To keep the plan update process on schedule, would you please complete and return the enclosed municipal survey to us by May 15, 2012. For your convenience, a pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope is included. Please note the completed survey is to be mailed to Mr. Kerry D. Tyson, P.E. of Nittany Engineering, who is assisting with the plan update. If you have any questions regarding this survey or its use in the plan revision process, please contact Ms. Ashley Duncan of B&L at 717-737-8326 or Mr. Tyson at 814-364-2262. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

BARTON & LOGUIDICE, P.C.



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**BLAIR COUNTY
MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
INFECTIOUS AND CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC (IC) WASTE SURVEY**

Blair County is in the process of updating its 10-Year Solid Waste Plan in order to adequately plan for the County's waste management, recycling, and disposal needs. Please complete the following brief survey regarding infectious and chemotherapeutic (IC) waste management practices in the County to assist us in the planning process.

Institution/Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

1) Please estimate the average amount of IC waste you generate annually (weight in lbs) (please list this amount even if you use an outside contractor to dispose of IC waste). _____

2) Does your definition of IC waste include all "red bag" waste? Yes No
If not, please explain how you define IC waste and what is included in this definition: _____

3) How do you manage this waste? (check one)
 On site treatment (describe) _____
 Outside contractor (describe) _____

4) Is all the IC waste you reported generated at your facility? Yes No Or, do you accept waste from another facility in your health care system ? Yes No If yes, please describe _____

5) If your Institution uses an outside contractor, please provide their name and address:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Processing/Disposal Method: _____

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6) Is the management of IC waste a problem for you, or are your treatment/disposal needs adequately met? _____

7) Do you anticipate any change in the amount of IC waste generated at your facility during the next year, or over the next 5-10 years? _____

8) Please provide any additional information that might impact your disposal needs, either current or future: _____

9) Completion of Survey

Thank you for your cooperation in completing this survey! We appreciate your assistance. Please return the survey by May 15, 2012 in the pre-paid postage envelope. Best time to contact you if we have any questions: _____

Please return survey to:

Mr. Kerry Tyson, P.E.
Nittany Engineering and Associates, LLC
Suite 1, 2836 Earlstown Road
Centre Hall, PA 16828

Questions? Please call Ms. Ashley Duncan of Barton & Loguidice at 717-737-8326, or Kerry Tyson at 814-364-2262.