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July 16, 2024

Thomas Mulligan, P.E., Director Brevard County Solid Waste Management Department 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Building A, Suite 118 Viera, Florida 32940 thomas.mulligan@brevardfl.gov

Re: Central Brevard Landfill SW Facility ID #16256 OGC Case No: 24-2148 Brevard County

Dear Mr. Mulligan:

Enclosed is a Consent Order ("Order") prepared by the Department for resolution of the referenced enforcement case. Please review this document and within 20 days of receipt, either: 1) return a signed copy to the Department or 2) provide comments and suggested changes. Once fully executed, a copy of the final document will be forwarded to you.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact David Janson at 407-897-4141 or via e-mail at <u>David.Janson@FloridaDEP.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of: Aaron Watkins, Director Central District

Enclosure: Draft Consent Order, Exhibit 1, Exhibit 2

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BEFORE THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

v.

BREVARD COUNTY

IN THE OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL DISTRICT

OGC FILE NO. 24-2148

CONSENT ORDER

This Consent Order ("Order") is entered into between the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") and Brevard County ("Respondent") to reach settlement of certain matters at issue between the Department and Respondent.

The Department finds and Respondent admits the following:

1. The Department is the administrative agency of the State of Florida having the power and duty to administer and enforce the provisions of the Florida Resource Recovery and Management Act, Sections 403.702, et seq., Florida Statutes ("F.S."), and the rules promulgated and authorized in Title 62, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C."). The Department has jurisdiction over the matters addressed in this Order.

2. Respondent is a "person" within the meaning of Sections 403.031(9) and 403.703(22), F.S.

3. Respondent is the operator of the Brevard Central Landfill, a Class I Landfill, located at 2250 Adamson Road, Cocoa, in Brevard County, Florida ("Facility"). The Facility's ID Number is 16256.

4. Respondent operates the Facility under Permit No. 0075133-024-SO-01 which expires on March 11, 2030.

5. The Department finds that the following violations occurred:

a) The facility failed to maintain and operate the leachate collection system as leachate seeps were observed along the south, east, and north side slopes of Cell 1 at the

South Landfill, with the potential for runoff into the stormwater pond, which is in violation of Rule 62-701.400(9)(b), F.A.C. and Rule 62-701.500(10), F.A.C.

b) Waste was observed protruding through the side slopes along the south, east and north side slopes of Cell 1 at the South Landfill, which is in violation of Rule 62-701.500(7)(f), F.A.C. Corrective actions for this violation were provided to the Department via email on June 28, 2024.

c) Erosion was noted along the south, east, and north side slopes of Cell 1 at the South Landfill where leachate seeps had occurred, which is in violation of Rule 62-701.500(7)(k), F.A.C.

d) Groundwater monitoring well MW-14DR was observed with the cap broken, which is in violation of Rule 62-701.620(8), F.A.C. Corrective actions for this violation were provided to the Department via email on June 28, 2024.

Having reached a resolution of the matter Respondent and the Department mutually agree and it is

ORDERED:

6. Respondent shall comply with the following corrective actions within the stated time periods:

a) Respondent shall remove all leachate from the south, east, and north side slopes including the stormwater ditches of Cell 1 at the South Landfill. This work is ongoing and shall be completed by September 27, 2024.

b) Respondent shall re-grade the side slopes of the south, east, and north sides of Cell 1 at the South Landfill and remove any protruding waste. This work is ongoing and shall be completed by September 27, 2024.

7. Every quarter after the effective date of this Order and continuing until all corrective actions have been completed, Respondent shall submit to the Department a written report containing information about the status and progress of projects being completed under this Order, information about compliance or noncompliance with the applicable requirements of this Order, and any reasons for noncompliance. These reports shall also include a projection

of the work Respondent will perform pursuant to this Order during the 12-month period which will follow the report. Respondent shall submit the reports to the Department within 30 days of the end of each quarter.

8. Within 30 days of the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall pay the Department \$ 6,750.00 in settlement of the regulatory matters addressed in this Order. This amount includes \$ 6,500.00 for civil penalties and \$ 250.00 for costs and expenses incurred by the Department during the investigation of this matter and the preparation and tracking of this Order. The civil penalty in this case includes one violations that each warrant a penalty of \$2,000.00 or more.

9. In lieu of making cash payment of \$6,500.00 in civil penalties as set forth in Paragraph 8, Respondent may elect to off-set the amount of \$6,500.00 by implementing a Pollution Prevention (P2) Project, which must be approved by the Department. P2 is a process improvement that reduces the amount of pollution that enters the environment; by conserving resource (including water, raw materials, chemicals, and energy) use, or by minimizing waste generation (including domestic and industrial wastewater, solid and hazardous waste, and air emissions). A P2 Project must reduce pollution or waste within the process beyond what is required by federal, state, or local law, in order to be eligible for civil penalty offset under this Order. If Respondent chooses to implement a P2 Project, Respondent shall notify the Department of its election by certified mail within 15 days of the effective date of this Order.

10. If Respondent elects to implement a P2 Project as provided in Paragraph 9, Respondent shall submit a completed P2 Project Plan (Plan) within 30 days of the effective date of this Order. The Plan must be completed using Exhibit 1, "P2 Project Plan" template.

11. In the event the Department requires additional information to process the Plan described in Paragraph 10, Respondent shall provide a modified Plan containing the information requested by the Department within 30 days of the date of the request.

12. If any balance remains after the entire P2 credit is applied to the allowable portion of the civil penalty, Respondent shall pay the difference within 30 days of written notification by the Department to Respondent that the balance is due.

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13. In lieu of making cash payment of \$6,500.00 in civil penalties as set forth in paragraph 9 above, Respondent may elect to off-set this amount by implementing an in-kind penalty project, which must be approved by the Department. An in-kind project must be either an environmental enhancement, environmental restoration or a capital/facility improvement project and may not be a corrective action requirement of the Order or otherwise required by law. The Department may also consider the donation of environmentally sensitive land as an in-kind project. The value of the in-kind penalty project shall be one and a half times the civil penalty off-set amount, which in this case is the equivalent of at least \$9,750.00. If Respondent chooses to implement an in-kind project, Respondent shall notify the Department of its election by certified mail within 30 days of the effective date of this Consent Order. Notwithstanding the election to implement an in-kind project, payment of the remaining \$250.00 in costs must be paid within 30 days of the effective date of the Consent Order.

14. If Respondent elects to implement an in-kind project as provided in paragraph 13, then Respondent shall comply with all the requirements and time frames in Exhibit 2 entitled In-Kind Projects.

15. Respondent agrees to pay the Department stipulated penalties in the amount of \$ 1,000.00 per day for each and every day Respondent fails to timely comply with any of the requirements of paragraphs 6 and 7 of this Order. The Department may demand stipulated penalties at any time after violations occur. Respondent shall pay stipulated penalties owed within 30 days of the Department's issuance of written demand for payment, and shall do so as further described in paragraph 16, below. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the Department from filing suit to specifically enforce any terms of this Order. Any stipulated penalties agreed to in paragraph 8 of this Order.

16. Respondent shall make all payments required by this Order by cashier's check, money order or on-line payment. Cashier's check or money order shall be made payable to the "Department of Environmental Protection" and shall include both the OGC number assigned to this Order and the notation "Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund." Online payments by e-check can be made by going to the DEP Business Portal at: <u>http://www.fldepportal.com/go/pay/.</u> It will take a number of days after this order becomes final, effective and filed with the Clerk of the Department before ability to make online payment is available.

17. Except as otherwise provided, all submittals and payments required by this Order shall be sent to <u>DEP_CD@dep.state.fl.us</u> or Department of Environmental Protection, Central District, 3319 Maguire Blvd. Suite 232, Orlando, FL 32803.

18. Respondent shall allow all authorized representatives of the Department access to the Facility and the Property at reasonable times for the purpose of determining compliance with the terms of this Order and the rules and statutes administered by the Department.

19. In the event of a sale or conveyance of the Facility or of the Property upon which the Facility is located, if all of the requirements of this Order have not been fully satisfied, Respondent shall, at least 30 days prior to the sale or conveyance of the Facility or Property, (a) notify the Department of such sale or conveyance, (b) provide the name and address of the purchaser, operator, or person(s) in control of the Facility, and (c) provide a copy of this Order with all attachments to the purchaser, operator, or person(s) in control of the Facility. The sale or conveyance of the Facility or the Property does not relieve Respondent of the obligations imposed in this Order.

20. If any event, including administrative or judicial challenges by third parties unrelated to Respondent, occurs which causes delay or the reasonable likelihood of delay in complying with the requirements of this Order, Respondent shall have the burden of proving the delay was or will be caused by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Respondent and could not have been or cannot be overcome by Respondent's due diligence. Neither economic circumstances nor the failure of a contractor, subcontractor, materialman, or other agent (collectively referred to as "contractor") to whom responsibility for performance is delegated to meet contractually imposed deadlines shall be considered circumstances beyond the control of Respondent (unless the cause of the contractor's late performance was also

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beyond the contractor's control). Upon occurrence of an event causing delay, or upon becoming aware of a potential for delay, Respondent shall notify the Department by the next working day and shall, within seven calendar days notify the Department in writing of (a) the anticipated length and cause of the delay, (b) the measures taken or to be taken to prevent or minimize the delay, and (c) the timetable by which Respondent intends to implement these measures. If the parties can agree that the delay or anticipated delay has been or will be caused by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Respondent, the time for performance hereunder shall be extended. The agreement to extend compliance must identify the provision or provisions extended, the new compliance date or dates, and the additional measures Respondent must take to avoid or minimize the delay, if any. Failure of Respondent to comply with the notice requirements of this paragraph in a timely manner constitutes a waiver of Respondent's right to request an extension of time for compliance for those circumstances.

21. The Department, for and in consideration of the complete and timely performance by Respondent of all the obligations agreed to in this Order, hereby conditionally waives its right to seek judicial imposition of damages or civil penalties for alleged violations up to the date of the filing of this Order. This waiver is conditioned upon Respondent's complete compliance with all of the terms of this Order

22. This Order is a settlement of the Department's civil and administrative authority arising under Florida law to resolve the matters addressed herein. This Order is not a settlement of any criminal liabilities which may arise under Florida law, nor is it a settlement of any violation which may be prosecuted criminally or civilly under federal law. Entry of this Order does not relieve Respondent of the need to comply with applicable federal, state, or local laws, rules, or ordinances.

23. The Department hereby expressly reserves the right to initiate appropriate legal action to address any violations of statutes or rules administered by the Department that are not specifically resolved by this Order.

24. Respondent is fully aware that a violation of the terms of this Order may subject Respondent to judicial imposition of damages, civil penalties up to \$15,000.00 per day per violation, and criminal penalties.

25. Respondent acknowledges and waives its right to an administrative hearing pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., on the terms of this Order. Respondent also acknowledges and waives its right to appeal the terms of this Order pursuant to section 120.68, F.S.

26. Electronic signatures or other versions of the parties' signatures, such as .pdf or facsimile, shall be valid and have the same force and effect as originals. No modifications of the terms of this Order will be effective until reduced to writing, executed by both Respondent and the Department, and filed with the clerk of the Department.

27. The terms and conditions set forth in this Order may be enforced in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to sections 120.69 and 403.121, F.S. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order constitutes a violation of section 403.161(1)(b), F.S.

28. This Consent Order is a final order of the Department pursuant to section 120.52(7), F.S., and it is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a Petition for Administrative Hearing is filed in accordance with Chapter 120, F.S. Upon the timely filing of a petition, this Consent Order will not be effective until further order of the Department.

29. Persons who are not parties to this Consent Order, but whose substantial interests are affected by it, have a right to petition for an administrative hearing under sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition concerning this Consent Order means that the Department's final action may be different from the position it has taken in the Consent Order.

The petition for administrative hearing must contain all of the following information:

a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;

- b) The name, address, any e-mail address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner, if the petitioner is not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination;
- c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;
- d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;
- e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;
- f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and
- g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (<u>received</u>) at the Department's Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS# 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or <u>received</u> via electronic correspondence at <u>Agency_Clerk@floridadep.gov</u>, within <u>21 days</u> of receipt of this notice. A copy of the petition must also be mailed at the time of filing to the District Office at Central District Office, 3319 Maguire Blvd. Suite 232, Orlando, FL 32803. Failure to file a petition within the 21-day period constitutes a person's waiver of the right to request an administrative hearing and to participate as a party to this proceeding under sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Before the deadline for filing a petition, a person whose substantial interests are affected by this Consent Order may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy under section 120.573, Florida Statutes. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect such person's right to request an administrative hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement. Additional information about mediation is provided in section 120.573, Florida Statutes and Rule 62-110.106(12), Florida Administrative Code.

30. Rules referenced in this Order are available at http://www.dep.state.fl.us/legal/Rules/rulelist.htm.

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FOR THE RESPONDENT:

Thomas Mulligan Solid Waste Department Director Brevard County Date

For Department Only

DONE AND ORDERED this ______ day of ____, 2024, in Orange County, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Aaron Watkins District Director Central District

Filed, on this date, pursuant to section 120.52, F.S., with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

Clerk

Date

Copies furnished to:

Lea Crandall, Agency Clerk Mail Station 35

Exhibit 1

P2 Project Plan (Plan)

(Note: Provide the information specified and delete existing text within parentheses)

(Facility Name) (Address) (Telephone) (Preparer Name/Title)

A. **Project Description**: (Summarize P2 Projects selected. Describe the processes or operations to be modified, and the specific changes to be made. Include details such as the specific equipment to be installed, materials to be substituted, and the actual changes to be made to processes or operations. Include manufacturer or vendor information, and specifications.)

B. **Environmental and Economic Benefits**: (Explain why and how each Project proposed constitutes P2.

Specify how each material, chemical, water and energy is saved, and from which processes or operations. Specify how each solid and hazardous waste, industrial wastewater and air emissions are generated, the waste type, and from which processes or operations. **Describe generally in paragraph format.**

Estimate the *annual* savings in *resources* - raw materials, chemicals, water, and energy at the process or operation front end. Estimate the *annual* reductions in *wastes* - solid and hazardous waste, wastewater, and air emission reductions at the process or operation back end.

Figures quoted should represent weights or volumes annually, and should be equalized for production rate changes. Associated cost savings should be included. **Describe specifically using the tables provided.**

Complete the first table for each per Project individually. Add or average corresponding figures from each Project table to complete the Plan table, *for multiple Projects*.)

(Project Name)								
Annual Resource Consumption Comparison								
Item	Quantity U	Quantity Used (gal/lb/kwh- specify)			Purchasing Cost (\$)			
	Before	After	Reduction	Before	After	Reduction	(%) Reduction	
Water								
Chemicals								
Materials								

Energy								
Total Annual Cost Savings =								
Annual Waste Generation Comparison								
Item	Quantity Generated (gal/lb/tons- specify)			Disposal Cost (\$)			Percent (%)	
	Before	After	Reduction	Before	After	Reduction	Reduction	
Hazardous Waste								
Industrial Wastewater								
Solid Waste								
Air Emissions								
Total Annual Cost Savings =								
Total Annual Avoided Cost Savings =								

		Summ	ary of All P2 Pro	ojects			
	Annua	al Resour	ce Consumption	n Compai	rison		
Item	Quantity Used (gal/lb/kwh- specify)			Purchasing Cost (\$)			Percent
	Before	After	Reduction	Before	After	Reduction	(%) Reduction
Water							
Chemicals							
Materials							
Energy							
		Total A	Annual Cost Savi	ngs =			
	An	nual Was	te Generation C	Comparise	on		
Item	Quantity Generated (gal/lb/tons- specify)			Disposal Cost (\$)			Percent (%)
	Before	After	Reduction	Before	After	Reduction	Reduction
Hazardous Waste							
Industrial Wastewater							
Solid Waste							
Air Emissions							
		Total A	Annual Cost Savi	ngs =			
Total Annual Avoided Cost Savings =							

C. **Project Cost:** (Include per Project the itemized, subtotal and Project total costs. A projected payback period in months or years needs to be included.

Provide a grand total cost for all Projects and an averaged projected payback period, *for multiple Projects*. Use list or table format for all.)

D. **Implementation Schedule:** (Provide a brief discussion of the steps necessary to implement the Projects and expected time frames for completion. A table or list format is

preferred. The schedule shall include a list of milestones with dates, or timeframes based on Plan approval date, including Progress and Final Report submittals. Provide a description of any anticipated problems and options. *The implementation should take no longer than* <u>six months</u> to complete.)

E. **Project Reporting:**

1. Within <u>90</u> days of approval of the Project Plan, the Respondent shall submit a P2 Project Progress Report to the Department that describes the Respondent's progress in implementing the P2 Project and meeting the requirements in the Plan, and includes a list of equipment ordered, purchased, and/or installed.

2. Within <u>180</u> days of approval of the Plan, the Respondent shall submit to the Department a P2 Project Final Report that includes the following.

a. A confirmation that the information presented in Sections A-C of the Summary is unchanged, or an updated version with the sections changed appropriately. A statement that the Project(s) was/were implemented successfully. An explanation of any problems encountered and corrections applied.

b. Attached expense reports, receipts, purchasing instruments and other documents itemizing costs expended on preparing and implementing the Project.

3. The Department shall review the Final Report and determine:

a. Whether the project was properly implemented; and

b. Which expenses apply toward pollution prevention credits.

4. A \$1.00 pollution prevention credit for each \$1.00 spent on applicable costs will be applied against the portion of the civil penalty that can be offset.

a. The following costs are allowable to offset the allowable amount of the civil penalty:

i. Preparation of the P2 Project;

ii. Design of the P2 Project;

iii. Installation of equipment for the P2 Project;

iv. Construction of the P2 Project;

v. Testing of the P2 Project;

vi. Training of staff concerning the implementation of the P2 Project; and

vii. Capital equipment needed for the P2 Project.

b. The following costs shall not apply toward P2 credit:

i. Costs incurred in conducting a waste audit;

ii. Maintenance and operation costs involved in implementing the P2 Project;

iii. Monitoring and reporting costs;

iv. Salaries of employees who perform their job duties;

v. Costs expended to bring the facility into compliance with current law, rules and regulations;

vi. Costs associated with a P2 Project that is not implemented;

vii. Costs associated with a P2 Project that has not been approved by the Department; and

viii. Legal costs.

c. If any balance remains after the entire P2 credit is applied to the allowable portion of the civil penalty, Respondent shall pay the difference within 30 days of written notification by the Department to the Respondent that the balance is due.

5. The Department may terminate the P2 Project at any time during the development or implementation of it, if the Respondent fails to comply with the requirements in this document, act in good faith in preparing and implementing the project, or develop and implement the P2 Project in a timely manner. The Respondent may terminate the P2 Project at any time during its development or implementation.

Exhibit 2

In-Kind Projects

I. Introduction

Proposal

a. Within 60 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, or, of the Department's notification that applying stipulated penalties to an in-kind project is acceptable, Respondent shall submit, by certified mail, a detailed in-kind project proposal to the Department for evaluation. The proposal shall include a summary of benefits, proposed schedule for implementation and documentation of the estimated costs which are expected to be incurred to complete the project. These costs shall not include those incurred in developing the proposal or obtaining approval from the Department for the in-kind project.

b. If the Department requests additional information or clarification due to a partially incomplete in-kind project proposal or requests modifications due to deficiencies with Department guidelines, Respondent shall submit, by certified mail, all requested additional information, clarification, and modifications within 15 days of receipts of written notice.

c. If upon review of the in-kind project proposal, the Department determines that the project cannot be accepted due to a substantially incomplete proposal or due to substantial deficiencies with minimum Department guidelines; Respondent shall be notified, in writing, of the reason(s) which prevent the acceptance of the proposal. Respondent shall correct and redress all the matters at issue and submit, by certified mail, a new proposal within 30 days of receipt of written notice. In the event that the revised proposal is not approved by the Department, Respondent shall make cash payment of the civil penalties as set forth in paragraph 8 above, within 30 days of Department notice.

e. Within 120 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, or, of the Department's notification that applying stipulated penalties to an in-kind project is acceptable

Respondent shall obtain approval for an in-kind project from the Department. If an in-kind project proposal is not approved by the Department within 120 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, or, of the Department's notification that applying stipulated penalties to an in-kind project is acceptable then Respondent shall make cash payment of the civil penalties as set forth in paragraph 8 above, within 30 days of Department notice.

f. Within 180 days of obtaining Department approval for the in-kind proposal or in accordance with the approved schedule submitted pursuant to paragraph 13 above, Respondent shall complete the entire in-kind project.

g. During the implementation of the in-kind project, Respondent shall place appropriate sign(s) at the project site indicating that Respondent's involvement with the project is the result of a Department enforcement action. Respondent may remove the sign(s) after the project has been completed. However, after the project has been completed Respondent shall not post any sign(s) at the site indicating that the reason for the project was anything other than a Department enforcement action.

h. In the event, Respondent fails to timely submit any requested information to the Department, fails to complete implementation of the in-kind project or otherwise fails to comply with any provision of this paragraph, the in-kind penalty project option shall be forfeited, and the entire amount of civil penalties shall be due from the Respondent to the Department within 30 days of Department notice. If the in-kind penalty project is terminated and Respondent timely remits the \$6,750.00 penalty, no additional penalties shall be assessed under paragraph 15 for failure to complete the requirement of this paragraph.

Within 15 days of completing the in-kind project, Respondent shall notify the
Department, by certified mail, of the project completion and request a verification letter from the
Department. Respondent shall submit supporting information verifying that the project was
completed in accordance with the approved proposal and documentation showing the actual costs

incurred to complete the project. These costs shall not include those incurred in developing the proposal or obtaining approval from the Department for the project.

j. If upon review of the notification of completion, the Department determines that the project cannot be accepted due to a substantially incomplete notification of completion or due to substantial deviations from the approved in-kind project; Respondent shall be notified, in writing, of the reason(s) which prevent the acceptance of the project. Respondent shall correct and redress all the matters at issue and submit, by certified mail, a new notification of completion within 15 days of receipt of the Department's notice. If upon review of the new submittal, the Department determines that the in-kind project is still incomplete or not in accordance with the approved proposal, the in-kind penalty project option shall be forfeited, and the entire amount of civil penalty shall be due from the Respondent to the Department within 30 days of Department notice. If the in-kind penalty project is terminated and Respondent timely remits the \$6,750.00, <u>no additional penalties shall be assessed under paragraph 15 for failure to complete the</u> <u>requirements of this paragraph.</u>