Beginning in February, 2008 the landfill will begin using Spotters at the working face. One of the primary purposes for using the spotters is to assist our hauling customers by directing the drivers for placement of vehicles at the dumping pad. This is to ensure that safe distances will be maintained between vehicles working in this busy area.

We understand that our hauling customers are busy and have a lot of stops and pickups to make in a day. We also understand that this busy schedule makes it important for a driver to get in, get out, and back on the road to his next stop as quickly as possible. Sometimes this can cause drivers to make errors in judging how close they may be to another vehicle when they are at the dumping area. These errors can create unsafe conditions for everyone involved.

Safety to our customers and our employees is our number one concern, so the spotters will be there to help the drivers in making this judgment with safety as a primary concern.

We ask that you remember that the spotters are there for everyone’s benefit. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with the changes that this new program will bring about. We believe that any changes due to this program will enable us to serve your needs better.

As the program develops, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at 1-800-326-9571.

In a previous issue we discussed DEP’s requirement that a county’s MSW may be disposed only in a landfill that is named in the county’s Waste Plan. DEP has stated that they intend to enforce this regulatory requirement. Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union counties are the only ones that we know of who have named LCRMS in their plans. Please help our facility maintain compliance.

We don’t want to turn your trucks away if you have waste from other counties, but DEP may force us to.

2008 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE (LANDFILL CLOSED)

- Memorial Day: Monday, May 26, 2008
- 4th of July: Friday, July 4, 2008
- Labor Day: Monday, September 1, 2008
- Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 27, 2008
- Christmas: Thursday, December 25, 2008
WASTE HAULER AUTHORIZATIONS EXPIRING

Current Waste Transportation Safety Program (WTSP) stickers will expire this year.

Last year DEP issued Final Green Waste Hauler Authorization Stickers. Issuing the final stickers ended the Interim period of this DEP program. Beginning this year the authorizations are required to be renewed on an annual basis.

When your authorizations are renewed, you will be issued new stickers and cab cards. Stickers issued last year will expire the last day of the month that is on your sticker. Example: Stickers dated JANUARY 2008 will expire on January 31, 2008.

Waste transportation vehicles with expired stickers/cab cards are not permitted to dispose of waste at solid waste facilities in Pennsylvania so be sure to renew your stickers prior to their expiration.

DEP recommends that you apply for renewal at least 90 days prior to the expiration date.

AUTOMATED ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR WASTE HAULER AUTHORIZATIONS ELECTRONIC SYSTEM NOW ACCESSIBLE ON DEP’S WEB SITE

A new online application system for waste hauler authorizations is expected to improve processing times and better ensure that haulers comply with state laws designed to protect the public’s health and safety, and the environment.

As of December 6, 2007 Waste Haulers have the ability to submit New, Renewal, and Addendum Authorization requests through the DEP GreenPort at www.depgreenport.state.pa.us.

The Web-based application allows haulers to start, save, and submit electronically for Act 90 (Waste Haulers) Authorizations. A valid credit card, charge card, or debit card is necessary to utilize the advantages of the Web-based system. Although paper applications can still be mailed to the WTSP with a check, internet submissions will provide a much faster processing time than paper.

To use the electronic application process go to the DEP GreenPort at the web address to the left. When the “Login” screen opens, go to the bottom and click on “Click here to self-register.” The “Self-Registration” page will open. Follow the steps from there to set up your user name and password to access the Waste Transportation Safety Program Applications.

Any questions or problems that may occur while using the system should be directed to the DEP Help Desk at (717) 705-3768.

RECYCLING OF UNIVERSAL WASTES

Do you or any of your customers need to recycle/dispose of electronics and other items containing toxic and/or hazardous materials such as mercury-containing waste, various types of batteries, PCB-containing ballasts? Listed below are a couple of sources that might be able to help:

Schaedler Yesco
3301 Wahoo Drive
Williamsport, PA
(570)321-0440
Fax: (570)321-0720
www.sydist.com

Veolia ES Technical Solutions, LLC
210 Canton Street
Stoughton, MA 02072
(781)341-6080
Fax: (781)341-6088
www.VeoliaES.com

Revisions to Waste Regulations Pending

DEP has released their proposed waste regulatory package revisions to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The SWAC will vote at their April meeting whether or not to send the package to the Environmental Quality Board. While the Public Comment period has not yet begun, the proposed revisions can be seen at:
http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/subject/advcoun/solidwst/swac.htm