

# Solid Waste Management Authority Hearing Officer Administrative Hearing

# **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Southern Nevada Health District**

280 South Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 Red Rock Trail Conference Room 9:00 AM – Thursday, November 14, 2024

#### **SNHD STAFF PRESENT:**

Donna Houston, Sr. EH Specialist Talibah Abdul-Wahid, Law Clerk Edward Wynder, Associate General Counsel Nancy Cadena, Admin. Specialist Jennifer Luther, Sr. Admin. Assistant Jason Garcia, Sr. EH Specialist Bruno Stephani, EH Supervisor Andy Chaney, EH Supervisor Summer Holloway, EH Specialist Ryan Flors, EH Specialist

#### **PUBLIC PRESENT:**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Hearing Officer, Annette Bradley, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

## III. MATTERS REQUIRING HEARING OFFICER ACTION:

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR HEARING OFFICER MEETINGS
  - 1. October 10, 2024 SWMA Hearing MINUTES APPROVED
- B. NOTICES OF VIOLATION WITH CONTESTED FACTS:
  - ECO AIR LLC NOV #SW25-086/R4- For 1) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about July 29, 2024; and 2) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at 8070 West Russell Road, Clark County, Nevada on or about July 29, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found ECO AIR LLC in violation of 2) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$1,000. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop placing, depositing, or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon property other than property designated or set aside for such purpose. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$2,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

2. **Alexander Pozo Salazar** – NOV #SW24-886/T8- For 1) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about June 4, 2024; and 2) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at Wetlands Park Trail, north of 1720 East Galleria Drive, Clark County, Nevada on or about June 4, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found Alexander Pozo Salazar in violation of 2) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$500. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop placing, depositing, or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon property other than property designated or set aside for such purpose. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$2,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

3. American Pumping Services, LLC — NOV #SW24-700/K6- For 1) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about March 8, 2024; 2) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about March 11, 2024; 3) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at 9700 West Skye Canyon Park Drive, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada on or about March 8, 2024; 4) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at 9700 West Skye Canyon Park Drive, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada on or about March 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.; 5) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at 9700 West Skye Canyon Park Drive, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada on or about March 11, 2024 at 1:52 p.m.; and 6) failure to comply with the Order issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on April 10, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found American Pumping Services, LLC in violation of 1), 2), 3), 4), and 5) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$500 for each violation, for a total administrative penalty of \$2,500. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop operating a solid waste disposal site without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority at this location or anywhere else in Clark County, Nevada. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop placing, depositing, or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon property other than property designated or set aside for such purpose. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$6,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

4. **Eclipse Waste Management LLC** – NOV #SW24-882/K6- For 1) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about June 3, 2024; 2) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the storm drain in the public right-of-way located at the southwest corner of North Torrey Pines Drive and West Ann Road, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada on or about June 3, 2024; and 3) failure to comply with the Order issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on June 12, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing

Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found Eclipse Waste Management LLC in violation of 1), 2), and 3) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$500 for each violation, for a total administrative penalty of \$1,500. The respondent was further ordered to provide proof of written training policies and procedures for the proper collection, containment, and disposal of liquid waste at a permitted liquid waste disposal facility within 30 days. It was also ordered that the respondent obtain a current Southern Nevada Health District liquid waste hauler permit following Southern Nevada Health District Regulations Governing Individual Sewage Disposal Systems and Liquid Waste Management within 30 days. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop operating a solid waste disposal site without a permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority at this location or anywhere else in Clark County, Nevada. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop causing or allowing to cause any sewage or accumulation of human excreta to overflow and deposit on this property or any other property in Clark County, Nevada. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop placing, depositing, or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon property other than property designated or set aside for such purpose. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop the hauling of liquid waste within Clark County until obtaining a valid Southern Nevada Health District liquid waste hauler permit. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$3,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

# C. NON-CONTESTED NOTICES OF VIOLATION:

1. Republic Recycling Services of Nevada, Inc. — NOV #SW24-713/C4- For 1) processing or authorizing the processing of solid waste using equipment that is not in accordance with the approved permit on or about May 3, 2024; 2) processing or authorizing the processing of solid waste using equipment that is not in accordance with the approved permit on or about June 26, 2024; 3) operating or authorizing the operation of a Solid Waste Management Facility outside of the approved conditions of operation on or about March 26, 2024; 4) operating or authorizing the operation on or about May 3, 2024; 5) operating or authorizing the operation of a Solid Waste Management Facility outside of the approved conditions of operation on or about June 26, 2024; 6) failure to maintain a Solid Waste Management Facility in a neat and orderly fashion on or about March 26, 2024; 7) failure to comply with the Order issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on March 28, 2024.

The respondent did not contest the Notice of Violation, agreeing to the facts alleged and accepting the proposed penalty. Hearing Officer Bradley found Republic Recycling Services of Nevada, Inc. in violation of 1), 2), 3), 4), 5), 6), and 7) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$1,000 for each violation for a total administrative penalty of \$7,000. The respondent was also ordered to maintain solid waste operations at the solid waste management facility located at 5491 Accurate Drive, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada in a neat and orderly condition. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop operating a solid waste disposal site outside of the conditions approved in the permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority at this location or anywhere else in Clark County, Nevada.

2. **Rebecca Regina Close** – NOV #SW25-135/C6- For 1) operating a disposal site in Clark County, Nevada, without a permit issued by the solid waste management authority on or about August 22, 2024; and 2) placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon the property located at 8070 West Russell Road, Clark County, Nevada on or about August 22, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found Rebecca Regina Close in violation of 2) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$500. A Cease and Desist order is issued to stop placing, depositing or dumping or causing to be placed, deposited or dumped solid waste upon property other than property designated or set aside for such purpose. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$2,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

3. **Holcim-SWR, Inc.** – NOV #SW24-614/C4- For 1) operating or authorizing the operation of a Solid Waste Management Facility outside of the approved conditions of the Solid Waste Management Permit issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on or about February 20, 2024; and 2) failure to comply with the Order issued by the Solid Waste Management Authority on February 28, 2024, with extensions of the order deadline to May 22, 2024.

SNHD and the respondent reached a compromised settlement of the case. The details of the agreement were stated on the record and approved and ordered by Hearing Officer Bradley. Hearing officer found Holcim-SWR, Inc. in violation of 2) and imposed an administrative penalty of \$1,000. Failure to comply will result in the original penalty of \$2,000 as initially sought in the Notice of Violation.

D. <u>NOTICES OF VIOLATION – FURTHER PROCEEDINGS:</u>

None.

IV. REPORT TO HEARING OFFICER

None

- V. Public Comment: None
- VI. ADJOURNMENT ADJOURNED BY THE HEARING OFFICER AT 9:21 A.M.