



October 11, 2023

Natural Soil Products  
c/o Richard Valiga, General Manager  
2286 East Center Street  
P. O. Box 283  
Tremont, PA 17981  
via email: rvaliga@tullyenvironmental.com

Re: Minor Permit Modification  
Construction and Operation of Gore Composting System  
Tully Environmental Inc. d/b/a Natural Soil Products  
Frailey Township, Schuylkill County  
Application# 101628-A231  
APS ID# 1091650, AUTH ID# 1445319

Dear Mr. Valiga:

Your application for a minor permit modification to construct and operate a Gore composting system is hereby approved. This approval is based on information in the application entitled "Minor Permit Modification – Gore Composting System" received by the Department on June 26, 2023. Supplementary information for bonding worksheets were received via email on September 1, 2023 and October 5, 2023. The application was prepared by Mavickar Environmental Engineering Consultants.

Enclosed as part of this approval is a permit modification Form 13-A. Any conditions stated on the Form 13-A modifies and replaces permit conditions regarding your operating permit. All other items and conditions from your permit shall remain in force and effect.

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal the action to the Environmental Hearing Board (Board) pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. § 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. Chapter 5A. The Board's address is:

Environmental Hearing Board  
Rachel Carson State Office Building, Second Floor  
400 Market Street  
P.O. Box 8457  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8457

TDD users may contact the Environmental Hearing Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800-654-5984.

Appeals must be filed with the Board within 30 days of receipt of notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time. This paragraph does not, in and

of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

A Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules of practice and procedure may be obtained online at <http://ehb.courtapps.com> or by contacting the Secretary to the Board at 717-787-3483. The Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules are also available in braille and on audiotape from the Secretary to the Board.

**IMPORTANT LEGAL RIGHTS ARE AT STAKE. YOU SHOULD SHOW THIS DOCUMENT TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER, YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR FREE PRO BONO REPRESENTATION. CALL THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD AT 717-787-3483 FOR MORE INFORMATION. YOU DO NOT NEED A LAWYER TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE BOARD.**

**IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS ACTION, YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITH AND RECEIVED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF THIS ACTION.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at (570) 826 - 2201.

Sincerely,



Roger Bellas  
Environmental Program Manager  
Waste Management Program

cc: Hugh V. Archer, Mavickar Environmental Consultants  
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
BUREAU OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

**FORM NO. 13-A**  
**MODIFICATION TO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND/OR PROCESSING PERMIT**

Under the provisions of Act 97, the Solid Waste Management Act of July 7, 1980, Solid Waste Permit  
Number 101628 Issued on (date original permit was issued) April 15, 1997 to  
(permittee) Tully Environmental Inc; d/b/a National Soil Products  
(address) P. O. Box 283  
Tremont, PA 17981-0283

is hereby modified as follows:

1. This permit modification is being issued pursuant to the Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act of July 7, 1980 and the Municipal Waste Management Regulations effective September 14, 2002.
2. This minor permit modification approves the construction and operation of Gore Composting System (a fixed, forced-air aeration system). The Gore system replaces the existing conventional windrow composting system. This approval is based on the information in the application received by the Department on June 26, 2023 entitled "Minor Permit Modification – Gore Composting System". Supplementary information for bonding worksheets were received via email on September 1, 2023 and October 5, 2023. The application was prepared by Mavickar Environmental Engineering Consultants. The application included the following documents:

General Information Form  
USGS Map  
Project Narrative  
Public & Municipal Notices  
Form A – Application for Municipal Waste Permit  
Form B & B1 – Professional Certifications  
Form C1 – Compliance History Certification  
Form I – Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Controls  
Form N – Composting Facilities  
Form R1 – Waste Analysis & Classification

**APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Gore System Site Construction Drawings  
Appendix B – Gore System NSP Demonstration/Pilot Project

Appendix C – Gore System US EPA Certification  
Appendix D – Incoming Biosolids & Final Compost Characteristics

3. This approval does not change the operating capacity of the facility. The Operating capacity will remain at the previously permitted limits:
  - a. Monthly Average - 400 tons per day.
  - b. Daily Maximum - 450 tons per day.

4. Upon completion of the closure of Ponds 3, 5, 6, and 8, NSP shall submit a Form 37 closure certification for review and approval by the Department. Bond calculations and request to decrease the bond may only be submitted after the certified closure of the ponds has been approved by the Department.

This modification shall be attached to the existing Solid Waste Permit described above and shall become a part thereof effective on (date) October 11, 2023

*Roger Bellas*

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**