

**GENERAL PERMIT WMGM054  
SALE, DISTRIBUTION, OR GIVING AWAY  
IN A BAG OR OTHER CONTAINER  
OF TREATED AND FINISHED EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY  
BIOSOLIDS-DERIVED MATERIAL AT A DISTRIBUTION SITE**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
BUREAU OF WASTE MANAGEMENT  
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL AND RESIDUAL WASTE**

**ISSUED:**

**JANUARY 19, 2016**

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**A. Authorization.**

This general permit authorizes the sale, distribution, or otherwise giving away, in a bag or other container, a treated and finished exceptional quality biosolids-derived material at a facility, hereinafter referred as “distribution site”, for beneficial uses by land application as specified below. A separate municipal waste processing permit shall be obtained from the Department to produce exceptional quality biosolids-derived material.

1. As a soil additive or soil substitute;
2. As an agricultural liming material;
3. As a horticultural amendment;
4. As a fertilizer for utilization in normal farming operations or land applied on disturbed lands to facilitate re-vegetation for land reclamation purposes; or
5. As an ingredient or a component of the value-added topsoil material produced off-site provided that all requirements below are met.
  - a. There is market or disposition for the material;
  - b. The value-added material shall be transferred in good faith as a commodity in trade for use in lieu of a commercially available product; and
  - c. The processing (i.e., blending, combining) of value-added topsoil material is authorized under a separate municipal waste processing permit issued by the Department unless:
    - i. The amount of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material received for the production of value-added topsoil does not exceed 1,000 cubic yards;
    - ii. The finished value-added material produced and stored by the processing operation does not exceed 7,500 cubic yards; and
    - iii. The pre- and post-processing of value-added topsoil material is not accumulated speculatively.

**B. Determination of Applicability Requirements.**

A person or municipality that proposes to operate under the terms and conditions of this general permit after the date of permit issuance must obtain a Determination of Applicability (DOA) from the appropriate Department Regional Office (see attached list) prior to commencing authorized activities under this general permit. A completed (i) General Information Form (Authorization Application for a Residual or Municipal Waste

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General Permit Application), (ii) Form B (Professional Certification), (iii) Form 20 (Application For A Municipal or Residual Waste General Permit), (iv) Form 27M (Acceptance of General Permit Conditions), (v) DOA application fee in the amount identified in Section A (General Information) of the Form 20, (vi) Bonding Worksheets A through E (document number 2540-FM-BWM0586) if required by the Department, and (vii) as a minimum, an operation and storage plan that contains the information indicated below must be submitted to the appropriate Department Regional Office. Checks shall be made payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania". No activities shall commence unless approved, in writing, by the Department.

1. A detailed description of the distribution site's operations that is seeking the Department's approval for coverage under this general permit.
2. Name and street address of processing facility where the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material was produced that is proposed to be utilized for waste management activities authorized under this general permit.
3. A copy of laboratory reports for the last 12 months demonstrating the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material produced is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the municipal waste processing permit issued by the Department. The chemical analysis required in this Condition shall be performed by a laboratory accredited or registered for accreditation under the Pennsylvania Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Act, Act of 2002, No. 25.
4. If the value-added topsoil material is proposed to be processed at the distribution site, the supplementary information below must be included in the DOA for the Department's review and approval where appropriate.
  - a. A detailed description of the mixture of various wastes to be used, as an ingredient or a component, in the production of the proposed value-added topsoil material at the distribution site.
  - b. An inventory list of each waste material and annual amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) that is to be received for use in the production of the proposed value-added topsoil material at the distribution site.
  - c. Estimated nutrient(s) value of the value-added topsoil material to be produced at the distribution site.
  - d. Recommended application rate of the value-added topsoil material to be produced at the distribution site.
  - e. Estimated annual amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the value-added topsoil material to be produced at the distribution site.

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- f. A detailed description of storage areas where various wastes to be used, as an ingredient or a component, are received and stored in the production of the proposed value-added topsoil material at the distribution site.
  - g. Maximum pre- and post-processing amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the value-added topsoil material that is stored at any one time at the distribution site.
  - h. Describe the location and dimensions of areas where the value-added topsoil material will be stored.
  - i. Describe whether the value-added topsoil material will be stored under a roof in a covered structure or under an impermeable tarp.
5. Evidence waste management activities at the distribution site are consistent with the terms and conditions of this general permit.
  6. Signed and notarized statement by the person or municipality who seeks authorization to operate under the terms and conditions of this general permit that states the person accepts all conditions of this general permit.
  7. An application fee in the amount required under §271.842(b) of the Municipal Waste Regulations made payable to the “Commonwealth of Pennsylvania”.
  8. Proof that a copy of the application has been notified to each municipality, county, county planning agency and county health department, if one exists, in which the distribution site is or will be located.
  9. Proof that the applicant has legal right to enter upon the land and operate the distribution site approved under this permit.
  10. An irrevocable written consent from the landowner giving the Department permission to enter upon land where the applicant will be conducting waste management activities authorized under the general permit.
  11. Information that identifies the applicant (i.e., individual corporation, partnership, government agency, association, etc.), including the names and addresses of every officer that has a beneficial interest in or otherwise controls the operation of the distribution site.
  12. A list of all previous permits or licenses issued by the Department, any state authority or federal government under the environmental protection acts; the date issued, status and compliance history concerning environmental protection acts.

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13. A copy of the distribution site's Preparedness, Prevention and Contingency Plan (PPC) which is consistent with the Department's most recent guidelines on the development and implementation of PPC plans at the facility.
14. Proof that any independent contractors retained by the applicant to perform any activities authorized under this permit are in compliance with the Department regulations as required in Condition C(15) of this general permit.
15. Total annual amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material estimated that will be sold, distributed or given away in a bag or other container for beneficial use purposes authorized under this general permit.
16. A copy of the Storm Water Management Control Plan including designs, controls, structures, or measures implemented to address on-site runoff, run-on and leachate management at the distribution site must be submitted to the Department for its review and consideration.
17. A detailed description of storage areas where the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is received and stored for distribution, sale or given away activities authorized under the general permit. The description should include the following information:
  - a. Total annual amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is received for sale, distribution or giving away authorized under the general permit.
  - b. Maximum amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is stored at any one time at the facility.
    - i. Is the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material stored under a roof in a covered structure or under an impermeable tarp?
    - ii. What are dimensions of the storage area?
    - iii. Is the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material stored in a pile?
    - iv. Is the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material accumulated speculatively?
  - c. Total amount (in dry tons) or volume (in cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material received that is intended for use in the production of value-added topsoil material.

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18. A map of the property of land and adjacent areas, in a scale of 1 inch equals no more than 50 feet with 2-foot maximum contour intervals, clearly showing the proposed location of distribution site operated by the applicant under this general permit including the information below:
  - a. Boundaries and names of present owner(s) of record of land (surface and sub-surface), including easements, right-of-way, and other property interests for the proposed permit area and adjacent properties.
  - b. Boundaries of land within the proposed permit area; description of title, deed, or usage restrictions.
  - c. Location of access roads (include slopes, grades, dimensions) and gates in relation to public and private roads, wells, and property lines.
  - d. Location of the storage area for the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material and value-added topsoil (pre- and post-processing) that will be sold, given away or distributed for beneficial use activities authorized under the general permit.
  - e. Right-of-way: within 300 feet of the facility for high-tension power lines, pipelines, railroads, public and private roads, buildings (school, dwelling, etc.) currently in use.
  - f. 100-year flood plain.
  - g. If appropriate, areas for which a bond will be posted (Chapter 271, Sub-Chapter D).
  - h. All utilities installed at the facility (electrical, gas, water, sewer, telephone, etc.).
  - i. Collection of leachate if generated at the distribution site.
  - j. Measures or practices implemented at the distribution site to prevent or minimize storm water run-on and runoff from coming contact with the stored exceptional quality biosolids-derived and value-added topsoil material.
19. If required, proof of bonding and insurance for the distribution site of sufficient amounts as determined by calculation worksheets provided by the Department.
20. Agronomic loading rate or application rate calculated in accordance with the most current version of the Department's guidance, in dry tons per acre, pounds per acre (lbs/acre), or pounds per square feet (lbs/ft<sup>2</sup>), recommended for the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is authorized for sale,

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distribution, or otherwise given away for beneficial use activities authorized under this general permit.

21. A copy of the label or information sheet as required in Condition C(5) of this general permit.
22. Additional information the Department believes is necessary to make a decision.

**C. Operating Conditions.**

1. Other than the processing off-site of value-added topsoil material as specified in Condition A(5) of this general permit, the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for sale, distribution, or given away for beneficial use activities under this general permit is prohibited from being mixed with other types of waste materials, including hazardous waste, municipal waste, special handling waste, or other residual waste.
2. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material may be sold, distributed, or given away for beneficial use activities under the approval granted in this general permit if, at the time of use or distribution, all of the requirements below are met.
  - a. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material met the quality criteria (i.e., metals, pathogens reduction, and vector attraction reduction) as required in (i) Chapter 271, Subchapter J, or (ii) the municipal waste processing permit issued by the Department;
  - b. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is nonliquid; and
  - c. Proof showing the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material does not exceed the quality criteria limits required in Condition C(2)(a) above. The proof required in this Condition shall be (i) the actual laboratory analysis performed by the generator of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material, and (ii) performed by a laboratory accredited or registered for accreditation under the Pennsylvania Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Act, Act of 2002, No. 25.
3. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit shall not be land applied at a rate greater than the agronomic loading rate unless otherwise approved by the Department in writing for land reclamation purposes.
4. Storage of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material at the distribution site is prohibited unless a storage plan is specifically approved, in writing, by the Department prior to beneficial use activities authorized in this general permit are commenced at the facility.

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5. The permittee shall (i) affix a label to the bag or other container in which the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is sold, distributed or otherwise given away for application to the land, or (ii) provide an information sheet to the person who receives the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is sold, distributed or otherwise given away for beneficial use activities authorized under the general permit. At a minimum, the label or information sheet shall contain the information as indicated below.
  - a. The name and street address of the facility or person who produced the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is land applied for beneficial use authorized under this general permit.
  - b. A description of waste source(s) that was used to produce the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is land applied for beneficial use authorized under this general permit.
  - c. A statement that application of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material to the land is prohibited except in accordance with the instructions on the label or information sheet.
  - d. A description of the restrictions or limitations and the nutrient value of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is sold, distributed or otherwise given away for beneficial use activities authorized under the general permit.
  - e. A statement that the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material may not be applied at a rate greater than the agronomic loading rate unless a greater rate is approved by the Department in writing for land reclamation purposes.
  - f. An agronomic loading rate or an application rate calculated in accordance with the most current version of the Department's guidance, in dry tons per acre, pounds per acre (lbs/acre), or pounds per square feet (lbs/ft<sup>2</sup>), recommended for the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is sold, distributed or otherwise given away for beneficial use activities authorized under this general permit. The Penn State Agronomy Guide, documented yields, or other applicable information sources may be used to determine appropriate yields and nutrient needs for the purposes of calculating application rates.
6. In addition to the label or information sheet required in Condition C(5) of this general permit, the permittee shall provide the following information in writing to the person responsible for the processing of value-added topsoil material.



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- a. Storage of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit and the finished value-added topsoil material cannot be stored for more than 1 year at the distribution site unless otherwise specially approved, in writing, by the Department.
- b. The processing of value-added topsoil material cannot be conducted in a manner that will create conditions that are conducive to the harboring, breeding, or attraction of vectors.
- c. Structures shall be designed, built, and maintained for the storage area of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit to minimize storm water run-on and run-off from storage and processing areas and to prevent discharges into the surface waters of the Commonwealth.
- d. Measures shall be utilized to curtail or lessen odors and dust emissions from storage and processing areas.
- e. Transportation of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit intended for the processing of value-added topsoil material shall comply with 25 Pa. Code Chapter 285 (relating to storage, collection and transportation) and the Waste Transportation Safety Act, 27 Pa. C.S. §§6201 – 6209.
- f. The processing and storage of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit cannot be conducted within the isolation distances required in Condition C(7)(e) below.
- g. The person responsible for the processing operations shall prepare and maintain daily records of the amount (in pounds (lbs)) or volume (cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material received and finished value-added topsoil material produced, sold, given away, or otherwise distributed.
- h. If the processing, storage or transportation activities are performed in a way that adversely impacts the environment or public safety, the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized under this general permit that is received and the value-added topsoil material (pre-and-post processing) produced will be considered wastes and the Department has the right to take enforcement against the facility conducting the activities to immediately cease operations, take corrective action, apply for a processing permit, and/or meet all applicable requirements under Chapter 285 (relating to Storage and Transportation of Municipal Waste) and the Waste Transportation Safety Act, 27 Pa. C.S. §§6201 – 6209. The Department may also assess fines and penalties.

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7. Unless otherwise authorized by the Department in writing, the storage of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material at the active land application site shall be as follows:
- a. During the calendar year (commencing on January 1), the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit shall not be stored at the active land application site for longer than one (1) year unless otherwise approved by the Department.
  - b. The amount of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit stored at the active land application site shall not exceed the calculated loading or application rate needed for upcoming growing season for the permitted application site.
  - c. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit shall be stored and transported in accordance with 25 Pa. Code Chapter 285 (relating to storage, collection and transportation of municipal waste) and the Waste Transportation Safety Act, 27 Pa. C.S. §§6201 – 6209.
  - d. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit shall not be accumulated speculatively.
  - e. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit that is stored at the active land application site shall be managed in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. §§6018.101 - 6018.1003 and the regulations promulgated thereunder, and not within these isolation distances:
    - i. 100 feet or less of a perennial stream or within 33 feet of an intermittent stream;
    - ii. Within 300 feet of a water source, unless the current owner has provided a written waiver consenting to the activities closer than 300 feet;
    - iii. Within 100 feet of an exceptional value wetland, as defined in 25 Pa. Code §105.17 (relating to wetlands);
    - iv. Within 100 feet of the edge of a sinkhole or area draining into a sinkhole or the perimeter of an unlined depression;
    - v. In an area without an implemented erosion and sedimentation control plan or a farm conservation plan;

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- vi. Within 300 feet of an occupied dwelling, unless the current owner has provided a written waiver consenting to the activities closer than 300 feet;
  - vii. Within 50 feet of a property line unless the owner demonstrates one of the following:
    - 1. That storage takes place in an enclosed facility.
    - 2. That the owner of the adjacent property has provided a written waiver consenting to the facility being closer than 50 feet. The waiver shall be knowingly made and separate from a lease or deed unless the lease or deed contains an explicit waiver from the owner.
  - viii. Within 11 inches of the seasonal high water table, nor within 3.3 feet of the regional ground water table. For purposes of this condition, the depths to seasonal high water table and regional ground water table shall be based on the most recent soil mapping as published by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service, or more detailed mapping data as mapped by an expert in soil science using standard and acceptable mapping procedures as developed by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service;
  - ix. Within 300 yards measured horizontally from the property line unless a written waiver is obtained from the current property owner of:
    - 1. A building owned by a school district or parochial school and used for instructional purposes.
    - 2. A park.
    - 3. A playground.
  - x. In an area where the storage would adversely affect the habitat of a known endangered or threatened species; and
  - xi. No ponding of run-on or run-off is allowed. Any un-drained depressions accumulating run-on or runoff shall be re-graded or otherwise corrected within 24 hours of detection.
- f. Best Management Practices (BMPs) shall be implemented to divert storm water run-on away from the storage areas of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit.

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Storm water runoff shall be managed in accordance with The Clean Streams Law and regulations promulgated thereunder. Prior to commencing operations at the facility, the permittee must obtain all the necessary storm water management permits.

- g. Berms shall be designed, installed, and maintained around the storage area of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit and other structures and, when necessary, treat runoff or leachate from the storage area.
  - h. Storage of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized for beneficial use under this general permit shall not be on slopes greater than 3% unless approved by the Department.
8. Transportation of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material to the land application site shall be as follows:
- a. In a manner which prevents harborage or breeding of vectors (including mosquitoes) or creation of odor, litter, and other nuisances which may impact the public health, safety, welfare, and the environment.
  - b. In a manner that prevents dispersal of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material produced by wind or water erosion or a risk of fire or explosion and shall comply with the requirements of Title 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 285 (relating to Storage, Collection and Transportation of Municipal Waste).
  - c. The vehicle that is used to transport the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material produced to the land application site shall comply with 25 Pa. Code Chapter 285 (relating to storage, collection and transportation) and the Waste Transportation Safety Act, 27 Pa. C.S. §§6201 – 6209.
9. The permittee shall not cause or allow a point or non-point source discharge of any of the following: industrial or residual wastes; wastewater; combined storm water runoff and leachate, if generated; runoff or leachate from the storage areas where solid waste management activities are conducted to the surface waters of the Commonwealth, unless permitted by the Department.
10. Nothing in this general permit shall be construed to supersede, amend, or authorize a violation of any of the provisions of any valid and applicable local law, ordinance, or regulation, providing that said local law, ordinance, or regulation is not preempted by the Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. §6018.101 et seq; and the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988, 53 P.S. §4000.101 et seq.

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11. Failure of measures herein approved to perform as intended, or as designed, or in compliance with the applicable laws, rules, and regulations and terms and conditions of this general permit, for any reason, shall be grounds for the revocation or suspension of the permittee's approval to operate under this general permit.
12. As a condition of this permit and of the permittee's authority to conduct the activities authorized by this permit, the permittee hereby authorizes and consents to allow authorized employees or agents of the Department, without advance notice or search warrant, upon presentation of appropriate credentials and without delay, to have access to and to inspect all areas on which solid waste management activities required of the permittee are being, will be, or have been conducted. This authorization and consent shall include consent to collect samples of waste, soils, water, or gases; take photographs; to perform measurements, surveys, and other tests; inspect any monitoring equipment; to inspect the methods of operation; and to inspect and/or copy documents, books, and papers required by the Department to be maintained. This permit condition is referenced in accordance with §§608 and 610(7) of the Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. §§6018.608 and 6018.610(7). This condition in no way limits any other powers granted under the Solid Waste Management Act.
13. All activities conducted under the authorization granted in this permit shall be conducted in accordance with the permittee's application, except to the extent that there is a conflict with the regulations or governing statutes.
14. The beneficial use activities authorized by this general permit shall not harm or present a threat of harm to the health, safety or welfare of the people or environment of this Commonwealth. The Department may:
  - a. Modify, suspend, revoke or reissue the authorization granted in this general permit if the permittee cannot comply with the conditions of this general permit or if the authorized activities cannot be adequately regulated under the conditions of this general permit.
  - b. Require an individual permit be obtained if it is deemed necessary to prevent harm or the threat of harm to the public health, and the environment.
15. Any independent contractors or agents retained by the permittee in the completion of distribution, sale, or given away the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized under this permit shall be subject to a compliance history review by the Department prior to performance of activities under this general permit, as specified by the Solid Waste Management Act.
16. A Preparedness, Prevention and Contingency (PPC) plan that is consistent with the most recent edition of the Department's "Guidelines for the Development and

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Implementation of Environmental Emergency Response Plans” shall be developed and maintained at the distribution site. The PPC plan shall be updated as needed or at least every five years. The permittee shall immediately implement the applicable provisions of the Department-approved PPC plan for any emergency that affects or threatens public health, safety, welfare, or the environment.

17. Upon cessation of operations at the facilities operating under the authorization granted in this permit, the operator shall clean and/or remove any municipal waste, storage tanks and structures or other materials that contain or have been contaminated with municipal waste and shall provide for the processing and disposal of the waste or material in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act, other environmental protection acts and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
18. The permittee shall comply with the applicable provisions of 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 123 (Standards for Contaminants) issued under the Air Pollution Control Act, and shall comply with all the applicable provisions of the Fugitive Emissions Sections 123.1, 123.2, and 123.31.
19. The beneficial use of exceptional quality biosolids-derived material produced is contingent upon compliance with conditions of this general permit and, if sold, the Pennsylvania Fertilizer, Soil Conditioner and Plant Growth Substance Law of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Information related to this law may be obtained from the Department of Agriculture by writing the Bureau of Plant Industry, Division of Agronomic Services, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408.
20. If required by the Department, the permittee shall maintain a bond in an amount and with sufficient guarantees as provided by 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 271, Subchapter D (relating to Financial Assurances Requirements).
21. The bond filed with the Department under Condition C(20) shall continue for the operational life of the distribution site, until 10 years after final closure of the facility, unless released in whole or in part by the Department, in writing, prior thereto as provided by 25 Pa. Code §271.341 (relating to Release of Bonds).
22. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material authorized under the terms and conditions of this general permit shall cease to be a waste if all requirements below are met:
  - a. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material complies with the terms and conditions of this general permit;
  - b. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is sold, distributed or otherwise given away for beneficial use activities authorized in this general

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permit at locations other than the processing facility where the material is produced or at distribution site where the material is sold, distributed or given away for beneficial use activities under the authorization of this general permit; and

- c. The exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is not abandoned or disposed.

- 23. At a minimum, at least one person working for the permittee with responsibility for the land application of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material is required to satisfactorily complete a biosolids training course, provided by the Department. This training requirement should be satisfied within six months of this general permit issuance. A copy of the certification demonstrating satisfactory completion of the course must be included in the annual report required in Condition E(2) of this general permit.

**D. Recordkeeping.**

- 1. The permittee shall develop a log system documenting:
  - a. Any inspection and finding of the permitted area conducted by the distribution site's personnel.
  - b. Amount (in pounds (lbs)) or volume (cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)), application or loading rate, location, name and address of each person who received the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material for beneficial use activity authorized under this general permit.
- 2. The records required in this Condition D shall be retained at the distribution site for a minimum of 5 years and made available to the Department upon request.

**E. Reporting.**

- 1. The permittee shall immediately notify the appropriate Department's Regional Office (see attached list), in writing, of any changes in: the name, address, owners, operators and/or responsible officials of the company; changes in distribution location; changes in land ownership or the right to operate on the land occupied; the physical or chemical characteristics of the (i) exceptional quality biosolids-derived material received, or (ii) value-added topsoil material produced; the change in status of bonding and insurance of the facility if appropriate; and the change in status of any permit issued by the Department or any state authority or federal government under the environmental protection acts.
- 2. The permittee shall submit, by March 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year, to the appropriate Department's Regional Office, an annual report which:



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- a. Contains the information outlined in Condition D(1) of this general permit; and
- b. Summarizes the following information for the last 12 months of the previous calendar year.
  - i. Total amount (in pounds (lbs)) or volume (cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material that is sold, distributed or otherwise given away.
  - ii. Total amount (in pounds (lbs)) or volume (cubic yard (yd<sup>3</sup>)) of the (1) exceptional quality biosolids-derived material received and/or (2) value-added topsoil material that is remained on the distribution site.
3. In the event of a spill or release of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material or any other materials resulting from the operation, the permittee shall take appropriate immediate action to protect the health and safety of the public and the environment of this Commonwealth. The spills or releases of the exceptional quality biosolids-derived material or any residue from the operation must immediately be reported to the appropriate Department's Regional Office Emergency Response (see attached list) that has jurisdiction over your distribution site.

**F. Permit Renewal Requirement.**

A person or municipality that plans to continue the operations authorized under this general permit, after the expiration date indicated on the approval for coverage page, shall file a complete application for permit renewal at least 180 days before the expiration date of this general permit unless permission has been granted by the Department for submission at a later date. The renewal application shall be made using the "Form 20 (Application For a Municipal or Residual Waste General Permit)".

In the event that a timely and complete application for renewal has been submitted and the Department is unable, through no fault of the permittee, to reissue the general permit or approval for coverage before its current coverage expiration date, the terms and conditions of the approved coverage will automatically continue and will remain fully effective and enforceable pending the issuance or denial of the renewal for permit coverage provided the permittee is, and has been, operating in compliance with the terms and conditions of the general permit.



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Contact Numbers By The Region**

| <b>Region</b> | <b>General Information Phone</b> | <b>Emergency Phone</b>                                     | <b>Counties Covered</b>  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Southeast     | 484-250-5960                     | <b>484-250-5900</b>  | Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia.  |
| Northeast     | 570-826-2511                     | <b>570-826-2511</b>  | Carbon, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming.                             |
| Southcentral  | 717-705-4706                     | <b>866-825-0208</b>  | Adams, Bedford, Berks, Blair, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Mifflin, Perry, York.  |
| Northcentral  | 570-327-3653                     | <b>570-327-3636</b><br>24 Hours                            | Bradford, Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Potter, Snyder, Sullivan, Tioga, Union. |
| Southwest     | 412-442-4000                     | <b>412-442-4000</b><br>24 Hours                            | Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Somerset, Washington, Westmoreland.                                 |
| Northwest     | 814-332-6848                     | <b>814-332-6945</b><br>After Hours:<br><b>800-373-3398</b> | Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Venango, Warren.                                  |