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### NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL INSPECTION VIOLATION SCORES, 2019 FACILITY VIOLATION SCORING PROCEDURE SCORE, AND 2019 COMPLIANCE TIER ASSIGNMENT

Dear Ms. Mariana Buoni:

**2019 Facility Violations Scoring Procedure (VSP) Score: 0**  
**2019 Compliance Tier Assignment: Acceptable**

The purpose of this letter is to provide Clean Harbors Westmorland LLC, CAD000633164, located at 5295 South Garvey Rd., Westmorland, CA 92281 (hereinafter, the "Facility") with a provisional inspection violation score for each compliance inspection that was conducted during the preceding ten (10) year period beginning January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2018, the Facility's 2019 VSP Score, and compliance tier assignment pursuant to California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 22, section 66271.53, subdivision (b)(2) and section 66271.54, subdivisions (c).<sup>1</sup>

The provisional inspection violation scores for the Facility are provided in the enclosed Inspection Violation Scoring Matrix. A provisional inspection violation score is the sum of the initial score for each Class I violation that occurred during a compliance inspection, and any adjustment to the initial Class I violation score based on repeat violations.<sup>2</sup> (See 22 CCR § 66271.53, subd. (a).) The basis for the score for each Class I violation is also provided in the enclosed Inspection Violation Scoring Matrix.

<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 673 (Stats. 2015, chapter 611), the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) adopted new hazardous waste permitting criteria regulations, which became effective on January 1, 2019. The full text of the hazardous waste permitting criteria regulations is available at [https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/upload/18-DTSC-SB-673-Reg-TEXT\\_OAL\\_20181023-revised.pdf](https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/upload/18-DTSC-SB-673-Reg-TEXT_OAL_20181023-revised.pdf). More information regarding SB 673 is available at [https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Permit\\_Roundtables.cfm](https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Permit_Roundtables.cfm).

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of calculating a facility's inspection violation score, DTSC may also consider Class II violations that meet the definition of a Class I violation as specified in CCR, title 22, section 66260.10. (See 22 CCR § 66271.50, subd. (d)(1).)

Based on the provisional inspection violation scores for the Facility for the ten (10) year period beginning January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2018, DTSC has calculated a Facility VSP Score for the Facility of "0". A Facility VSP Score is the sum of all provisional or final inspection violation scores for each compliance inspection conducted during the preceding ten (10) years, divided by the number of compliance inspections. (See 22 CCR § 66271.54, subd. (a).)

A facility may be assigned to one of three compliance tiers based on its Facility VSP Score:

- "Acceptable." A facility that receives a Facility VSP Score of less than 20 shall be designated as having a Facility VSP Score that is "acceptable". (See 22 CCR § 66271.54, subd. (b)(1).)
- "Conditionally Acceptable." A facility that receives a Facility VSP Score equal to or greater than 20 and less than 40 shall be designated as having a Facility VSP Score that is "conditionally acceptable." Facilities that receive a final compliance tier assignment of "conditionally acceptable" are required to comply with additional requirements outlined in the regulations. (See 22 CCR § 66271.54, subd. (b)(2); 22 CCR § 66271.56.)
- "Unacceptable." A facility that receives a Facility VSP Score equal to or greater than 40 shall be designated as having a Facility VSP Score that is "unacceptable." DTSC is required to initiate permit denial, suspension, or revocation proceedings for facilities that receive a final compliance tier assignment of "unacceptable." (See 22 CCR § 66271.54, subd. (b)(3); 22 CCR § 66271.57.)

As a result of the Facility's VSP Score, DTSC has assigned the Facility to a compliance tier of "**Acceptable**". Generally, as discussed further below, a facility's compliance tier assignment becomes final after all provisional inspection violation scores upon which the Facility VSP Score is based become final pursuant to CCR, title 22, section 66271.53, subdivision (d).

### **Provisional Inspection Violation Score Disputes and Compliance Tier Assignment Challenges**

An owner or operator of a facility may dispute a provisional inspection score pursuant to CCR, title 22, section 66271.53, subdivision (c) by filing a Provisional Inspection Violation Score Dispute Document (template available at <https://dtsc.ca.gov/violations-scoring-procedure/>) within sixty (60) calendar days of this notice. All of the following information must be enclosed with the Dispute Document cover letter:

- A statement that describes in detail the factual and legal basis of the dispute and the relief sought;
- Any claimed erroneous facts, assumptions, approaches, or conclusions of law made by DTSC;

- A statement describing in detail any efforts already made by the owner or operator to resolve the dispute with DTSC; and
- Any photographs, documents, or any other material that supports the owner's or operator's position regarding the disputed provisional inspection violation score.

The owner or operator of a facility may request a one-time extension of up to sixty (60) calendar days to submit a Provisional Inspection Violation Score Dispute Extension Document (template available at <https://dtsc.ca.gov/violations-scoring-procedure/>).

DTSC will issue a written decision, granting or denying, in whole or in part, the relief sought by the owner or operator of a facility disputing a provisional inspection violation score. A provisional inspection violation score will become the final inspection violation score consistent with DTSC's written decision. A provisional inspection violation score will also become the final inspection violation score if the owner or operator of a facility does not file a Dispute Document within sixty (60) calendar days of this notice.

A facility's compliance tier assignment becomes final after all inspection violation scores upon which the Facility VSP Score is based become final pursuant to CCR, title 22, section 66271.53, subdivision (d). Final compliance tier assignments of "acceptable" or "conditionally acceptable" are not subject to additional administrative dispute resolution. (See 22 CCR § 66271.54, subds. (e), (f).) However, owners or operators of facilities assigned to a final compliance tier of "unacceptable" may further administratively challenge their final compliance tier assignment under California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.57.

Issuance of this provisional inspection violation score, Facility 2019 VSP Score, and compliance tier assignment do not constitute an enforcement action. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact [VSP\\_Info@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:VSP_Info@dtsc.ca.gov). If you have any questions regarding the dispute process, please contact [VSP\\_Dispute\\_Inbox@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:VSP_Dispute_Inbox@dtsc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



Keith Kihara, Chief  
Enforcement and Emergency Response Division

Enclosure(s)

Violation Scoring Matrix  
Proof of Service

### Violation Scoring Matrix

Facility Name:		CLEAN HARBORS WESTMORLAND LLC		10 Year Date Range:		2009-2018		Permit Effective Date:		5/2/1994		Link to EnviroStor	
Address:		5295 SOUTH GARVEY ROAD, WESTMORLAND, CA 92281		Number of Inspections:		10		Permit Expiration Date:		5/2/2004		(Inspection Reports, SOVs, etc.)	
EPA ID:		CAD000633164		Total Number of Violations Scored:		0		Date VSP Completed:		2/5/2019			
Inspection Date:	Inspection Type:	Class I Justification	Citation	Violation	Potential for Harm	Potential for Harm Justification	Extent of Deviation	Extent of Deviation Justification	Initial Score	Repeat (Yes/No)	Date(s) of Previous Violation	Adjustment Factor (%)	Adjusted Score
12/9/2009 CEI & 12/21/2009 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
11/1/2010 FRR & 12/9/2010 CEI	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
12/14/2011 CEI & 1/19/2012 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
2/12/2013 CEI & 4/18/2013 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
12/10/2013 CEI & 3/5/2014 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
4/7/2015	FCI			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
6/10/2015 CEI & 8/5/2015 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00
5/26/2016 CEI & 6/7/2016 FRR	CEI & FRR			No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
Provisional Inspection Violation Score:													0.00

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Address:	5295 SOUTH GARVEY ROAD, WESTMORLAND, CA 92281			Number of Inspections:	10			Permit Expiration Date:	5/2/2004				
EPA ID:	CAD000633164			Total Number of Violations Scored:	0			Date VSP Completed:	2/5/2019				
Inspection Date:	5/24/2017 CEI & 9/6/2017 FRR	Class I Justification	Citation	Violation	Potential for Harm	Potential for Harm Justification	Extent of Deviation	Extent of Deviation Justification	Initial Score	Repeat (Yes/No)	Date(s) of Previous Violation	Adjustment Factor (%)	Adjusted Score
Inspection Type:	CEI & FRR												
Class I Violations:	0	n/a	n/a	No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
<b>Provisional Inspection Violation Score:</b>													0.00
Inspection Date:	6/7/2018 CEI & 6/22/2018 FRR	Class I Justification	Citation	Violation	Potential for Harm	Potential for Harm Justification	Extent of Deviation	Extent of Deviation Justification	Initial Score	Repeat (Yes/No)	Date(s) of Previous Violation	Adjustment Factor (%)	Adjusted Score
Inspection Type:	CEI & FRR												
Class I Violations:	0	n/a	n/a	No Class I violations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00
<b>Provisional Inspection Violation Score:</b>													0.00

FACILITY VIOLATIONS SCORING PROCEDURE SCORE				
Inspection Number	Number of Violations Scored	Inspection Type(s)	Inspection Date(s)	Provisional Inspection Violation Score
1	0	CEI & FRR	12/9/2009 CEI & 12/21/2009 FRR	0.00
2	0	CEI & FRR	11/1/2010 FRR & 12/9/2010 CEI	0.00
3	0	CEI & FRR	12/14/2011 CEI & 1/19/2012 FRR	0.00
4	0	CEI & FRR	2/12/2013 CEI & 4/18/2013 FRR	0.00
5	0	CEI & FRR	12/10/2013 CEI & 3/5/2014 FRR	0.00
6	0	FCI	4/7/2015	0.00
7	0	CEI & FRR	6/10/2015 CEI & 8/5/2015 FRR	0.00
8	0	CEI & FRR	5/26/2016 CEI & 6/7/2016 FRR	0.00
9	0	CEI & FRR	5/24/2017 CEI & 9/6/2017 FRR	0.00
10	0	CEI & FRR	6/7/2018 CEI & 6/22/2018 FRR	0.00
<b>Sum of Provisional Inspection Violation Scores</b>				<b>0.00</b>
<b>*FACILITY VSP SCORE</b>				<b>0.00</b>

\*FACILITY VSP SCORE = Sum of Provisional Inspection Violation Scores/Total Number of Inspections conducted in 10 year (calendar) timeframe

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| CCR = California Code of Regulations                    | GAR = Groundwater Audit Report                |
| CDI = Case Development Inspection                       | GME = Groundwater Monitoring Evaluation       |
| CEI = Compliance Evaluation Inspection                  | HSC = Health and Safety Code                  |
| CI = Complaint Investigation                            | HW = Hazardous Waste                          |
| DTSC = Department of Toxic Substances Control           | HWFP = Hazardous Waste Facility Permit        |
| EPA ID = Environmental Protection Agency Identification | n/a = Not Applicable                          |
| FCI = Focused Compliance Inspection                     | NFRR = Non-Financial Record Review            |
| FRR = Financial Records Review                          | RCRA = Resource Conservation and Recovery Act |
| FSD = Facility Self Disclosure                          | SOV = Summary of Violations                   |
| FUI = Follow-Up Inspection                              | VSP = Violations Scoring Procedure            |

## PROOF OF SERVICE

1. I served the NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL INSPECTION VIOLATION SCORES, 2019 FACILITY VIOLATION SCORING PROCEDURE SCORE, AND 2019 COMPLIANCE TIER ASSIGNMENT on Mariana Buoni, Clean Harbors Environmental Services LLC, EPA ID Number CAD000633164.
2. I served Mariana Buoni, Clean Harbors Environmental Services LLC, by mailing a copy of the aforementioned document via Certified Mail, Receipt No. 7018-0680-0000-9827-9416, return receipt requested, in a sealed envelope addressed to:

Ms. Mariana Buoni  
Clean Harbors Environmental Services  
PO Box 787  
Buttonwillow, California 93206

3. My name, business address, and telephone number are:

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration of Proof of Service is executed on October 4, 2019 at Sacramento, California.

  
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(Signature)