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## **Geoff Strack**

Waste Connections 251 Starkey Street Saint Paul, Minnesota 55107

Re: SKB Rosemount Industrial Waste Facility (SW-383), Rosemount, Minnesota

Coal Ash Rule (40 CFR 257.90) Groundwater Detection Monitoring Program Review

## Dear Mr. Strack:

Per your request Wenck Associates, Inc. (Wenck) has reviewed the existing groundwater monitoring system at the SKB Rosemount Industrial Waste Facility (SKB Rosemount) for compliance with the above referenced coal combustion residuals (CCR) rule. Our review concludes that the existing monitoring network at the Landfill exceeds the minimum requirement of the CCR rule for a detection monitoring program.

The minimum CCR rule requirement for a groundwater detection monitoring program specifies at least one upgradient and three downgradient monitoring wells. At SKB Rosemount, there is in place a monitoring well network that includes a total of 26 groundwater monitoring wells. A majority of the monitoring wells are used for water quality monitoring with other wells, plus 5 piezometers used for water elevation monitoring exclusively. The existing monitoring system was established through the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) solid waste facility permitting process that required a site specific hydrogeologic evaluation. The resultant monitoring network was installed following review and approval of the MPCA and exceeds the CCR requirements. Thus, the existing monitoring network adequately situated and can provide for the collection of background analytical data as required for the CCR detection monitoring program.

Consistent with MPCA solid waste permitting, modification of the groundwater monitoring network may be required if new disposal areas are developed or if significant groundwater flow regime changes are observed.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this effort. If you have any questions, please contact me (763-479-4226) at your convenience. Sincerely,

WENCK ASSOCIATES, INC.

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