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Ms. Linda J. Butler
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RE: Crossroads Facility Expansion - Support

Ms. Butler:

The Town of Smithfield is writing to express its strong support for the continued operation of the Crossroads Facility and specifically, the proposed expansion of that facility.


We are one of several communities that use the transfer station on Airport Road. Our residents bring all their wastes and recycling to the transfer station. Residents greatly appreciate this local and convenient service. The transfer station also increases recycling in our community. WMDSM provides this service to the community at a reasonable and dependable cost at a time when waste disposal options are increasingly limited and come at higher prices.

If Crossroads closed, our community would need to construct its own transfer station or pay to haul our wastes to another location many miles away. Funding for a new transfer station or long-distance hauling would significantly increase our waste costs, taking away valuable tax payer dollars that could be used to fund other projects.


Finally, WMDSM has always been a good steward of the environment and a sincere partner with our local community. For these reasons, the Town of Smithfield strongly supports approval of WMDSM's expansion of its Crossroads Facility and we urge the DEP to act favorably on the application.

Sincerely,

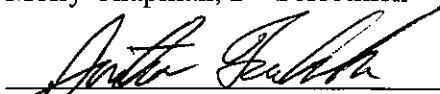
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