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December 15, 2023

Mary Daun, P.E.
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Dr.
P.O. Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-095

Re: Proposed Granite State Landfill
Request for Extension of Review Time
Standard Permit Application No. 2023-66600

Dear Ms. Daun:

Granite State Landfill, LLC is in receipt of your letter dated December 7, 2023, requesting a sixty-day extension through February 28, 2024, for the department to make its determination whether the above-referenced application is complete. This extension would give the department a total of 120 days to make its completeness determination.

We are prepared to agree to the requested extension and in doing so we want to provide the department with our broader perspective regarding the permitting timeline. It is critical to our timely development of the disposal capacity at GSL that we have a decision on the application in advance of the 2025 construction season and targeting a decision date of March 31, 2025.

We fully understand that the department may need more time than what is provided by statute or rule for interim and final determinations, and historically Casella affiliates have freely agreed to such extensions upon request. We expect to continue this practice in connection with the pending application. In this instance we do have constraints critical to our customer base and operations in New Hampshire.

While we agree to this request for a sixty-day extension, we look forward to working closely with the Department to help us maintain our necessary timeline for the reasons stated above. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (802) 651-5454.

Sincerely,

**GRANITE STATE LANDFILL, LLC** 

John Gay, E.I.

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