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(IN THE MATTER OF CERTAIN MODIFICA-)
(TIONS TO THE ADOPTED AND APPROVED)
(SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE)
(CAMDEM COUNTY SOLID WASTE)
(MANAGEMENT DISTRICT)

CERTIFICATION OF APPROVAL
OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE
CAMDEN COUNTY DISTRICT
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER:

. <u>Introduction</u>

2.

In order to establish a meaningful and responsible role for the State in the solution of solid waste problems, the New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.) grants broad powers to the Department of Environmental Protection. This includes the power "...to regulate and supervise all solid waste collection and disposal facilities and operations...", "...to register all persons engaged in the collection or disposal of solid waste...", "...to develop through a Statewide solid waste management plan objectives, criteria and procedures to assure the orderly preparation and evaluation of the [district] solid waste management plans...", "...to approve, modify or reject such solid waste management plans on the basis of their conformity with such objectives, criteria and procedures...", and "...to develop and implement such a plan where none is approved or forthcoming from any solid waste management district...."

The Act further provides that "...if the board of chosen freeholders, the Hackensack Commission, or the department [Department of Environmental Protection] as the case may be, determines that any solid waste management plan, or any part thereof, is inadequate for the purposes for which it was intended, such board of chosen freeholders or the Hackensack Commission, as the case may be, shall develop and formulate a new solid waste management plan, or any part thereof, and such new plan, or part thereof, shall be adopted thereby pursuant to the procedures contained in section 14 [N.J.S.A. 13:1E-23] of this amendatory and supplementary act." Upon the adoption of the solid waste plan, or any part thereof, the board of chosen freeholders or the Hackensack Meadowlands Commission, as the case may be, shall submit such plan, or any part thereof, along with a transcript of every public meeting held thereon, to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection for review and final approval. The Commissioner has authority to modify, reject or approve such plans, or parts thereof, and, in the final analysis, the Commissioner is authorized to adopt and promulgate any modification or replacement she deems necessary with respect to the solid waste management plan.

On July 17, 1980, I approved, with modifications, the Camden County District Solid Waste Management Plan. On August 4, 1981, the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted modifications to its approved District Solid Waste

system issued thereunder by the Department of Environmental Protection and shall be subject to the provisions and penalties of N.J.S.A. 13:15-9, 10 and 12 and all other applicable laws.

3) Types of Solid Wastes Covered by the Camden County District Solid Waste

The Modifications contained herein shall apply to all "solid wastes" generated within the identified County municipalities, as defined in N.J.S.A. 13:IE-3 and N.J.A.C. 7:26-2.5.27 and with the exceptions of liquid wastes, sewage sludge, septage, hazardous wastes, oil spill at the point of generation.

4) Certification to Proceed with the Implementation of Plan Modifications

This Document shall serve as the Certification of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection to the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders, as provided for by N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24f., to proceed with the implementation of the Modifications contained herein.

5) <u>Definitions</u>

For the purpose of these Modifications and unless the context clearly requires a different meaning, the definitions of terms shall be the same as those found at N.J.S.A. 13:1E-3 and N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.4 and -2.5.27.*

6) Effective Date of Modifications

The approved Modifications to the Camden County District Solid Waste Management Plan contained herein shall take effect immediately.

7) Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a limitation on any other action taken by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to its authority under the law. The Camden County District Solid Waste Management Plan, including any modifications made thereto, shall conform with the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan. The Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan includes the Department's Planning Guidelines and rules, regulations, and orders of the Department, and will include the approved.**

^{*}Mote: In a municipal collection system where commercial and residential solid wastes are collected together, the wastes shall be considered, for the purposes of District solid waste planning, as residential solid waste.

^{**}The Commissioner may adopt modifications to the approved District Plans in the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan when it is promulgated.

D. <u>Certification of Approval by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection</u>

In accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., I hereby approve the modifications, as outlined in Section B of this Certification, to the Camden County District Solid Waste Management Plan which were adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders on August 4, 1981.

10/2/81

DATE

JERRY FITZGERALD ENGLISH

COMMISSIONER

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