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MEMORANDUM

To: Interested Parties

From: John C. Stokes, Executive Director 

Date: September 29, 2010

Subject: Public Hearing on the First Amendment of the June 28, 2006, Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) amongst Stafford Township ("Stafford"), Ocean County and the New Jersey Pinelands Commission ("Pinelands Commission") Regarding the Development of Renewable Energy Facilities on top of the Closed Landfill Located at the Stafford Business Park Site, Stafford Township, Ocean County

As Executive Director of the New Jersey Pinelands Commission and in accordance with the provisions of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), I will conduct a public hearing on a proposed First Amendment to the June 28, 2006, Memorandum of Agreement ("Proposed Amendment") amongst Stafford Township ("Stafford"), Ocean County and the New Jersey Pinelands Commission ("Pinelands Commission"). The Amendment would authorize Stafford Township to amend the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions that it recorded for its closed Landfill, located within the Stafford Business Park site, to permit use of the Landfill parcel for the development of Renewable Energy Facilities, i.e. facilities that produce electrical energy from wind, solar, photovoltaic or other renewable technologies. The Amendment would also authorize the construction of solar energy generation facilities on top of the closed Landfill.

The purpose of the hearing is to elicit comment on the Proposed Amendment. Following the public hearing, I will submit a report on the hearing and a formal recommendation regarding this Proposed Amendment to the fifteen member Pinelands Commission board. At that time, the Pinelands Commission will decide whether or not to approve the Proposed Amendment.

The hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, in the Stafford Township Municipal Building Council Room, 260 East Bay Avenue, Manahawkin, New Jersey.

If you are interested in giving testimony, you may call the Pinelands Commission, Communications office at (609) 894-7300 or sign up at the hearing.

Please contact our office if you have any questions.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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The draft of the Proposed Amendment is available on the Commission's website at www.nj.gov/pinelands. In addition, the Proposed Amendment as well as its supporting materials will be available for public inspection and copying at the principal offices of the Commission. Anyone interested in giving testimony or obtaining further information may call the Pinelands Commission, Communications office at (609) 894-7300 by October 12, 2010. Written testimony may be submitted at the hearing or sent directly to the Pinelands Commission office, 15 Springfield Road, P.O. Box 7, New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064, or via facsimile (609) 894-7330 or e-mail to info@npjines.state.nj.us no later than October 13, 2010.