March 22, 2012

Mr. Chris Erias
City of Galt Community Development Department
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Galt, CA 95632

**Cal Waste Recycling Processing Center Proposed Conditional Use Permit (SAC201201421)**

Dear Mr. Erias:

Thank you for providing information regarding the proposed Cal Waste Recycling Processing Center (Center) Conditional Use Permit to the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) for review. SMAQMD staff comments follow.

1. Perform an air quality analysis on potential criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas emissions from the operation of the Center, determine if the emissions exceed any SMAQMD or other applicable thresholds of significance, and implement mitigation as necessary. The SMAQMD’s [Guide to Air Quality Assessment in Sacramento County](#) provides analysis recommendations, SMAQMD thresholds, and suggested mitigation measures.

2. Since the Center will be occupying an existing building, construction activities would be minimal and wouldn’t be expected to exceed the SMAQMD’s construction thresholds of significance. SMAQMD’s [Basic Construction Emission Control Practices](#) should be required for the project to reduce cumulative construction impacts.

3. If any stationary equipment (such as engines, generators, boilers, etc.) at the Center will emit air pollutants, permits from the SMAQMD may be required. Attached is the SMAQMD’s Rules Statement regarding permitting and other rules that may apply.

4. Identify nearby sensitive receptors and implement measures to minimize the potential for nuisance dust, odor and toxic emissions from the Center.

Please contact me at 916-874-4881 or khuss@airquality.org if you have any questions regarding these comments. I look forward to receiving a copy of the environmental document once it is available.

Sincerely,

Karen Huss
Associate Air Quality Planner/Analyst
Communications, Land Use, and Mobile Sources Division

Attachment

Cc: Larry Robinson, SMAQMD
SMAQMD Rules & Regulations Statement (revised 3/12)

The following statement is recommended as standard condition of approval or construction document language for all development projects within the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD):

All projects are subject to SMAQMD rules in effect at the time of construction. A complete listing of current rules is available at www.airquality.org or by calling 916.874.4800. Specific rules that may relate to construction activities or building design may include, but are not limited to:

**Rule 201: General Permit Requirements.** Any project that includes the use of equipment capable of releasing emissions to the atmosphere may require permit(s) from SMAQMD prior to equipment operation. The applicant, developer, or operator of a project that includes an emergency generator, boiler, or heater should contact the SMAQMD early to determine if a permit is required, and to begin the permit application process. Portable construction equipment (e.g. generators, compressors, pile drivers, lighting equipment, etc.) with an internal combustion engine over 50 horsepower are required to have a SMAQMD permit or a California Air Resources Board portable equipment registration. Other general types of uses that require a permit include, but are not limited to dry cleaners, gasoline stations, spray booths, and operations that generate airborne particulate emissions.

**Rule 403: Fugitive Dust.** The developer or contractor is required to control dust emissions from earth moving activities, storage or any other construction activity to prevent airborne dust from leaving the project site.

**Rule 414: Water Heaters, Boilers and Process Heaters Rated Less Than 1,000,000 BTU PER Hour.** The developer or contractor is required to install water heaters (including residence water heaters), boilers or process heaters that comply with the emission limits specified in the rule.

**Rule 417: Wood Burning Appliances.** This rule prohibits the installation of any new, permanently installed, indoor or outdoor, uncontrolled fireplaces in new or existing developments.

**Rule 442: Architectural Coatings.** The developer or contractor is required to use coatings that comply with the volatile organic compound content limits specified in the rule.

**Rule 460: Adhesives and Sealants.** The developer or contractor is required to use adhesives and sealants that comply with the volatile organic compound content limits specified in the rule.

**Rule 902: Asbestos.** The developer or contractor is required to notify SMAQMD of any regulated renovation or demolition activity. Rule 902 contains specific requirements for surveying, notification, removal, and disposal of asbestos containing material.

**Naturally Occurring Asbestos:** The developer or contractor is required to notify SMAQMD of earth moving projects, greater than 1 acre in size in areas “Moderately Likely to Asbestos” within eastern Sacramento County. Asbestos Airborne Toxic Control Measures, Section 93105 & 93106 contain specific requirements for surveying, notification, and handling soil that contains naturally occurring asbestos.