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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

Division of Solid Waste Management
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August 4, 2023

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE: Hazardous Waste Follow-up Inspection
University of Tennessee, Austin Peay Building
TNO 00-087-9809

Dear Ms. Prior:

On August 2, 2023, the Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) conducted a hazardous waste follow-up inspection at University of Tennessee, Austin Peay Building. The inspection was conducted to evaluate the facility's compliance with the July 6, 2023, Notice of Violation (NOV).

During the inspection, DSWM observed the following:

- *The inspector observed both 1-gallon satellite containers in Hesler Hall Room 508 closed (Photo 1). Since the initial inspection, the facility also determined that the material held in these containers is non-hazardous.*
- *The inspector observed the 4-liter satellite container in the Science and Engineering Research Facility (SERF) Room 702 with a new hazardous waste label with hazard indication markings (Photo 2).*
- *According to the facility July 27, 2023 response, the container observed without an accumulation start date inside the SERF central accumulation area was promptly dated following the initial inspection. The container has since been shipped but the inspector observed accumulation start dates on all containers in the central accumulation area. Also, the facility has performed housekeeping and cleared the room of miscellaneous equipment (Photos 3 and 4).*
- *Universal waste batteries and lamps were closed, labeled, and marked with storage dates while stored at the Fleming Center (Photos 5-7).*

Based on DSWM's inspection, the outstanding violations cited in the Division's July 6, 2023, NOV were determined to have been corrected. Please be aware that a return to compliance does not necessarily eliminate the possibility of future enforcement action.

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The DSWM appreciates the courtesy and cooperation shown by University of Tennessee, Austin Peay Building during the inspection. Should you have any questions concerning this report, please do not hesitate to contact me at 865-804-2277 or by email at pamela.rudd@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

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Photo 1: Both 1-gallon satellite containers in Hesler Hall Room 508 are closed. Since the initial inspection, the facility also determined that the material held in these containers is non-hazardous.



Photo 2: The 4-liter satellite container in the Science and Engineering Research Facility (SERF) Room 702 has new hazardous waste label with hazard indication markings.



Photos 3 and 4: The facility provided accumulation start dates on all containers in the SERF central accumulation area and performed housekeeping to remove miscellaneous equipment.



Photos 5-7: All universal waste batteries and lamps at the Fleming Center are closed, labeled, and marked with a storage date.