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**Informational Meeting for the Proposed Chesapeake Terrace Rubble Landfill
in Anne Arundel County**

December 3, 2001

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6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Opening:

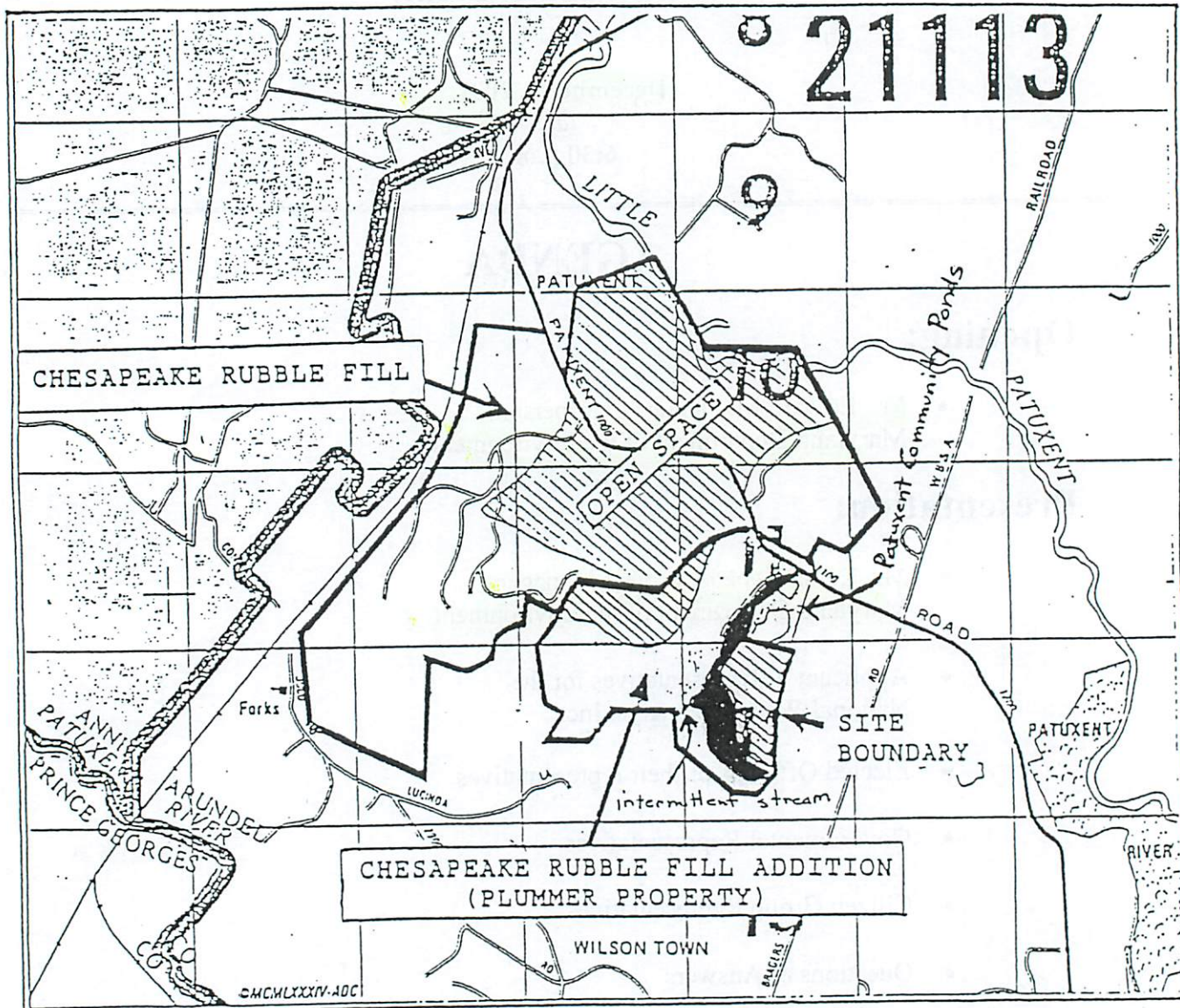
- **Mr. Edward M. Dexter, Chairperson,
Maryland Department of the Environment**

Presentation:

- **Mr. Kassa Kebede, Project Manager
Maryland Department of the Environment**
- Applicant's Representatives for the
National Waste Managers, Inc.
- Elected Officials or their representatives
- Governmental Representatives
- Citizen Group Representatives
- Questions & Answers

Closing:

- Mr. Edward M. Dexter



OPEN SPACE

Additions to Open Space Recommended by MNHP

.... intermittent stream recommended for protection

Maryland Department of the Environment
Waste Management Administration

Notice of Application Received and Informational Meeting

In accordance with Sections 1-601, 1-602, and 1-603 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Maryland Department of the Environment (the "Department") is presently reviewing a Refuse Disposal Permit Application submitted by the Halle Companies for the construction and operation of the proposed Chesapeake Terrace Rubble Landfill. This landfill, a nonhazardous solid waste acceptance facility, will be located south of Odenton in Anne Arundel County. The application had been inactive for several years, and is now being reactivated.

Notice is given that an Informational Meeting will be held by the Department regarding this application at 6:30 p.m. on December 3, 2001, at the Odenton Fire Hall, 1425 Annapolis Road, Odenton, MD 21113. The purpose of the Informational Meeting is to provide an opportunity to the general public to obtain information about the permit application and the Department's review process. Representatives for the applicant and the Department will be available to answer specific questions.

Upon prior request, an interpreter for the deaf or hearing-impaired persons will be provided. The application and supporting documents will be available for public review at the Odenton Public Library, 1270 Odenton Road, Odenton, MD and at the Department by appointment after November 12, 2001.

Written comments regarding the application may be addressed to Mr. Richard W. Collins, Director, Waste Management Administration, 2500 Broening Highway, Baltimore, MD 21224

For further information regarding this notice, to schedule an appointment to review the application, or request an interpreter, please contact Ms. Gail Castleman, Hearings Coordinator at (410) 631-3314.

Maryland Department of the Environment
Waste Management Administration
Solid Waste Program

Fact Sheet

Subject: Informational Meeting Regarding the Refuse Disposal Permit Application for the Proposed Chesapeake Terrace Rubble Landfill in Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Date: December 3, 2001

Project Manager: Kassa Kebede

Telephone: (410) 631-3424 / (800) 633-6101

The purpose of this meeting is to provide opportunity for the public to obtain information regarding the Refuse Disposal Permit Application for the authority to construct and operate a nonhazardous solid waste acceptance facility that is to be located 1100 Patuxent Road, in Anne Arundel County, Maryland 21113.

Owner: Halle Corporation

Operator: National Waste Managers

Capacity: 22 million cu/yds

Estimated Operating Life: 38 years.

Site Information.

Size: Site Parcel- 480 +/- acres / Rubblefill 180 +/- acres

Location - 1100 Patuxent River Road in the western portion of Anne Arundel County southeast of Fort Meade. The site is bounded on the north by the Little Patuxent River, on the west by the Amtrak Railroad, on the southwest by the Conway Road, and on the east by the Patuxent River Park.

Geology - Report done by Mark Schultz Assoc., consulting firm.

- Patuxent River Terraces & Patapsco Fm., both sandy & clay facies.
- Substantial silt and clay under western portion of site, where the surface mine is; the eastern portion is interbedded sand, gravel and silt.
- 23 test borings, 14 monitoring wells.
- Topography in the area runs from a ridge around 180'+MSL along S boundary to the Little Patuxent at ~60'+MSL.
- Although the property straddles Patuxent River Road, the landfill area is located south and west of the road.
- The 100-year floodplain of tributaries to the Little Patuxent (not the Little Patuxent itself) and nontidal wetlands areas are located on the property, although no actual fill areas are located in wetlands.

Application Process

On December 20, 1988, the Department received an unsigned Phase I application. On January 30, 1990, signed Phase I application submitted. Phase II Report on March 27, 1990 and the Phase III Report on October 24, 1991. Phase II was reviewed and supplemental reports dated 12/90 and 3/92 were submitted and commented on. The Phase III report was submitted before the application was put on hold pending local approvals.

On February 4, 1992, the Department advised the applicant that review of the Phase III would not begin until we received documentation of zoning and inclusion in the County 10 Year SWMP, the required deed amendment, and resolution of the wetlands issue.

After a prolonged review process at the local level, on January 26, 2001, the applicant requested us to reactivate the pending application.

On March 29, 2001, the Department advised applicant to satisfy all the requirements of Phase I before proceeding to the Phase I Permit Application Process.

The applicant has submitted attendance lists from the County hearings on this matter, which we have used to start our "interest list" of individuals we will notify concerning any future public meetings or hearings.

Floodplains and wetlands areas were delineated in the Phase III, and a Corps of Engineers wetlands permit for the project was issued in March 1993. The project was redesigned in 1997 to limit the amount of wetlands impacted to 5 acres, down from 9.83 acres, by relocating some of the facilities onsite to an upland area. The Corps permit was reissued on February 26, 2001, which will expire on December 31, 2006.

On June 5, 2001, the Department received a revised Refuse Disposal Permit Application for the proposed Chesapeake Terrace Rubble Landfill a nonhazardous Solid Waste Acceptance Facility.

On June 22, 2001, the Department received a letter, dated June 20, 2001, from the Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning stating that the proposed facility is deemed to be in conformance with the County Solid Waste Plan and meets all applicable County zoning and land use requirements subject to the performance of the conditions required by the special exception approval.

Public Informational Meeting

The Department's permitting process includes review of the permit application and comments on the proposed project are solicited from several Maryland State, federal and local agencies. Provided that all minimum requirements of the permit application are satisfied, the Department will schedule and hold a public hearing once the application process is completed.

Initial Public Informational Meeting was held on March 30, 1994, at 7:00 p.m. regarding the application in the Cafeteria of the Arundel Middle School located at 1179 Hammond Lane, Odenton, Maryland.

For this meeting Notice of the application received and an informational meeting was published in the November 13th and 20th, 2001 editions of the Capital Newspaper.

The Solid Waste Permitting Process for Municipal, Rubble, and Industrial Waste Landfills In Maryland:

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) issues Refuse Disposal Permits for sanitary landfills and other waste disposal facilities under the authority of the Environment Article, §9-204 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and regulations at COMAR 26.04.07. The following steps have been instituted to insure the complete review of applications for Refuse Disposal Permits for landfills:

PHASE I - Preliminary Information - Reviewed to see if there are any major, readily-identifiable issues such as endangered species, wetlands, floodplains, Scenic Rivers, Critical Areas, historical sites, karst (limestone), proximity to airports, or regulation under the Highway Beautification Act of 1965. The application is sent to the County government and other agencies; application is held at Phase I until the County affirms that the project has all necessary local zoning and land-use approvals, and is in conformance with the County's 10-year Solid Waste Master Plan. A Public Informational Meeting is scheduled and held to inform the local community of the application. This meeting is held on a weeknight near the proposed landfill site, and is advertised by mailings to the property owners within 1000 feet of the site and the elected legislative representatives for the area. Also, notices are published in a local newspaper at least once a week for two weeks prior to the meeting. Representatives of MDE and the applicant are present to provide information about the application process and the proposed activity. Comments received from other agencies help MDE decide whether to proceed with the application process, and if so, what other permits or approvals may be required (e.g., Army Corps of Engineers wetlands permit, etc).

PHASE II - Geological and Hydrological Report - A site-specific environmental investigation of the property based on borings and wells installed across the site. The report must be prepared by a geologist or geotechnical engineer acceptable to the Department, and must describe the soils, geology, meteorology and hydrology of the proposed site. The report provides further definition of wetlands, floodplains, historical sites (if needed), and other information needed for further design and monitoring plan development. This report is principally reviewed by MDE but is also distributed to other interested agencies, including the Geological Surveys, the Department of Natural Resources, and the Army Corps of Engineers.

PHASE III - Engineering Report - Detailed Plans, operating manuals, contingency plans, and monitoring plans. These plans depict the nature and function of the pollution control systems; how the landfill will be built and operated; how it will be monitored; the types of equipment and personnel to be used; what the initial and final elevations will be; a conceptual plan for closure and postclosure use of the facility; and contingency plans for dealing with operational problems that sometimes occur at landfills (fires, equipment breakdown, etc.) in order to prevent impact to the environment or the community. This report is principally reviewed by MDE but is also distributed to other interested agencies. Before final approval, the plan must be signed and sealed by a Registered Professional Engineer, and the sediment and erosion control plan approved by the local Soil Conservation District or other appropriate agency. Plans may go through several revisions before final approval.

INTERNAL REVIEW & PREPARATION (Phase IV)- When the technical requirements have been satisfied, MDE makes a final check of the application for completeness and satisfaction of all laws and regulatory requirements. Within 60 days of the completion of Phase III, the Department then makes a Tentative Determination whether to issue the permit or not, and notice of the Tentative Determination to issue or deny the permit is advertised. If the application is deficient or there is good cause for denial, the applicant is notified and afforded an opportunity for appeal. If the application is acceptable, the MDE project manager then prepares the draft permit and public notices. Copies of the draft permit and the application documents (the reports submitted for Phases I, II, and III) are placed in a local repository - usually a public library or County office near the proposed landfill site. A Public Hearing is scheduled, and is advertised as required by law.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Phase V) - A formal Public Hearing is scheduled and held to obtain comment from the local community concerning the application. It is generally held on a weeknight at a location near the proposed landfill site, and is advertised by mailings to owners of property within 1000 feet of the proposed site, and the elected legislative representatives for the area, as well as by publication of notices in a local newspaper at least once a week for two weeks prior to the Public Hearing. The Public Record is

submit additional written testimony or evidence for consideration.

FINAL DETERMINATION - The Hearing Officer, an official of MDE, reviews the testimony and evidence presented, and the applicable laws and regulatory requirements, and makes recommendations for a Final Determination by the agency. This determination may be to issue the permit as is; to issue the permit with changes to address concerns raised during the hearing; or to deny the permit, among other possible outcomes. The Final Determination may be appealed by the applicant or parties who have legal standing and who are aggrieved by the decision. Such appeals are handled in accordance with Maryland's rules for administrative appeals of environmental permits (see Title 1, Subtitle 6 of the Environment Article).

For more information, contact the Solid Waste Program at (410) 631-3424.

For Landclearing Debris Landfills and Incinerators: Phases I, III, IV, V

For Transfer Stations and Processing Facilities: Phases I, III, IV.

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