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Department of Environment
Pollution Prevention Division

Guidance Document

Title: Certificates of Approval for
Municipal Waste Disposal Sites

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Waste Disposal Approval
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1.0 Subject

Certificates of Approval for Municipal Waste Disposal Sites

2.0 Objective

To promote a smooth transition to new waste management systems.

3.0 Background

- Based on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Environment and Labour and the Department of Government Services and Lands, May 1998, the GSC is tasked to issue Certificates of Approval for municipal waste disposal sites on behalf of the now Department of Environment.
- The Department of Environment has developed and is now seeking government approval for a new Waste Management Strategy that will, among other things, significantly reduce the number of waste disposal sites in the province and significantly improve their environmental standards.

4.0 Department of Environment Guidance

- Certificates of Approval renewals are not to be issued for a period exceeding one year without specific direction from the Department of Environment.
- The Department of Environment will not be authorizing Certificates of Approval renewals beyond one year until planning under the new Waste Management Strategy is sufficiently advanced to allow longer term planning.
- Certificates of Approval are not to be issued to new sites without direct approval of the Department of Environment.
- The Department of Environment will not normally authorize new sites except as planned in the new Waste Management Strategy.
- Renewals in the Avalon and Clarendville regions are not to be issued until authorized by the Department of Environment.
- The Department of Environment will vet these with the Avalon Waste Management Committee to ensure that their process is facilitated.