

July 24, 2025

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SKUNK RIVER COMPOST
301 HILLSIDE DRIVE
LYNNVILLE, IA 50153

Re: Permit renewal application for Skunk River Compost Facility
Permit # 50-COM-01-22

Dear Mr. Van Kooten;

I have reviewed the permit renewal application for Skunk River Compost (Doc Id # [113281](#)). There are several items that need to be addressed before a permit can be issued.

The following items were not addressed in the application:

Section A. Executive Summary. Please provide the following:

- Summary of modifications to the facility that occurred during the current permit cycle.
- Summary of each permit amendment that occurred during the current permit cycle to determine if it shall be included with the renewed permit, be revised or be removed.
- Provide documentation and certification as required for new permit provision requests, if any.

Section B. Site Map or Aerial Photograph (IAC 567 105.8(1)). If the site map submitted with the request to add the mixing area (doc id [112048](#)) is still current, indicate that no change is needed.

Section D. Site Operation Plan (IAC 567 105.8(3)). The permit has been amended several times and now references three operation plans (doc id [103933](#), [107876](#) and [112048](#)). In addition, the Notice of Violation (NOV) (Doc Id# [113433](#)) that was issued on July 11, requires a plan to be submitted to prevent the reoccurrence of the issues described in the NOV. Please submit a current plan of operations that addresses all feedstock types, all methods of composting being used, and includes measures to prevent reoccurrence of the issues detailed in the NOV.

Section F. Site Closure Plan (IAC 567 105.13). If the closure plan submitted with the original permit application (doc id# [103933](#)) is still current, indicate that no revision is required.

Additionally, the issues described in the NOV must be resolved and the facility be in substantial compliance before the permit will be reissued. As a reminder, the approved operations plan for managing liquids and semisolid material limits the amount to one tanker truck (approximately 7,000 gallons) per operating day and specifies that it will be mixed with carbon sources in the mixing area and put into windrows within 24 hours of receipt.

If you have questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact me at 515-721-7979 or Theresa.Stiner@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

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