Guidance Manual for Permitting of New Commercial Hazardous Waste Treatment and Disposal Facilities

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting 9/25/2025





Step I — Pre-Application Process

- Applicant submits PACT.
- Pre-application meeting with DEP and municipality.
- If proposed facility site is located in an EJ area, the EJ Public Participation Policy will be followed.



Step II — Phase I Exclusionary Criteria Review

- Applicant submits required components of Phase I application.
- Completeness review.
- Public meeting and public hearing on application.
- Decision on site suitability.



Step III — Phase II Exclusionary Review and Operations and Design Application

- Applicant submits remainder of application.
- Completeness review.
- Public Meeting held by applicant.
- Siting Team conducts and finalizes technical review and makes recommendations to the Secretary.
- Public notice draft permit or notice of intent to deny in *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.



Step IV — **Permit Decision**

- Public Hearing held and written public comments received on draft permit or notice of intent to deny.
- Siting Team reviews public input and makes recommendation.
- Secretary approves or disapproves within 30-days of recommendation.



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