



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4631

December 10, 2010

Mr. Worthing F. Jackman  
Chief Financial Officer  
Waste Connections, Inc.  
2295 Iron Point Road, Suite 200  
Folsom, CA 95630

**Re: Waste Connections, Inc.  
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009  
Filed February 9, 2010  
Response Letter Dated December 6, 2010  
File No. 1-31507**

Dear Mr. Jackman:

We have reviewed your response and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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1. Confirm to us that at the time the NMED denies a permit on the original site in Chaparral or issues a permit on the new 325 acre site, you will consider the assets associated with the original location to be impaired.

You may contact Kevin Stertzel at (202) 551-3723, if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact me at (202) 551-3689 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

John M. Hartz  
Senior Assistant Chief Accountant