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Ontario County Consults with Outside Counsel Regarding Landfill Operations

Canandaigua, NY – Ontario County officials are concerned that actions taken to date by Casella, the operator of the landfill, have not been enough to provide relief from the odor issues surrounding the landfill site.

According to Carla Jordan, the County’s Director of Sustainability and Solid Waste Management, “A number of outside engineering firms were engaged over the course of the last year to weigh in on how the odor issue could best be resolved. Unfortunately, the speed at which the mitigation efforts have been put into place has not met our expectations. The County has begun consultation with outside counsel to review Casella’s compliance with the County’s lease agreement and all applicable laws and permit requirements.”

“The committee looks forward to working with outside counsel to provide guidance on Casella’s obligations and the County’s rights as we continue to address issues of concern.” Planning & Environmental Quality Committee Chair Kris Singer stated.

In the meantime, the County expects that Casella will continue to implement the proposed gas collection improvements that are focused on collecting the gas leaving the property. As you drive by the landfill site it is expected that you will see construction occurring on the eastern slope of the landfill over the next few months.

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