

RE: Relief from Solid Waste Permit Conditions - Compliance Audit Reports
TO: Solid Waste Permit Holders and Consultants
FROM: Waste Engineering and Enforcement Division, MMCA, DEEP
DATE: April 3, 2020

DEEP has received numerous inquiries resulting from the COVID-19 related disruptions, regarding relief from solid waste permit requirements related to compliance audits and audit reports, most commonly required on a quarterly basis. DEEP's response to such requests was documented in an [email dated March 24, 2020 to the National Waste & Recycling Association](#). Specifically, as a matter of enforcement discretion, item 3.d. of the March 24th email is excerpted and provided below as follows:

“In light of the social distancing and non-essential workers staying at home, DEEP is providing flexibility from permit requirements related to compliance audits, audit reports, and load inspections as follows:

- 1) For solid waste facilities that are required by their permits to conduct quarterly compliance audits, DEEP will accept the performance of one semi-annual compliance audit (in lieu of an audit in each of the first two quarters of 2020) on or before June 30, 2020.
- 2) The results of the semi-annual compliance audit noted in subsection 1) above shall be summarized in one Compliance Audit Report in accordance with terms and conditions of the facility permit; and
- 3) The semi-annual compliance audit noted in subsection 1) above shall be submitted by August 30, 2020.”