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STATE'S BEST OPERATED LANDFILL APPROVED FOR EXPANSION

SAND SPRINGS, OKLA. – March 8, 2007 - The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) has approved American Environmental Landfill (AEL) in Sand Springs, OK for future expansion of its current landfill site.

AEL is located within Osage County, North of the Sand Springs Expressway on N. 177th West Avenue. The 150 acre expansion site is directly across the street from AEL's current location and will add 50 years of capacity to the life of the landfill.

Kenneth Burkett, owner of AEL, credits his staff's commitment to excellence as the reason for the approval. "The continuing vision for any landfill operation must include a sense of pride in all facets of business and community relations. AEL takes this responsibility very seriously, forever endeavoring to remain a friend to the environment as well as to the community we serve," Burkett recently stated. "ODEQ recognizes our efforts toward this goal and has given us a unique opportunity to expand this vision."

This decision comes on the heels of the Tulsa City Council's debate on city trash collection. Currently in the city of Tulsa, commercial haulers dispose of commercial waste at the Walter B. Hall Resource Recovery facility or the Quarry Landfill. AEL's expansion would allow for additional landfill space, assisting possible future economic growth.

AEL has been repeatedly named the, "best operated [landfill] in the state," according to ODEQ. The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) has also touted AEL for being a leading landfill in the industry.

"We are deeply committed to meeting and exceeding environmental standards. ODEQ's approval of our expansion enables us to continue this commitment as well as develop an even greater capacity to serve others for many years to come," stated Todd Green, AEL's General Manager.

The usage of the landfill expansion will begin when AEL's current site reaches its physical capacity. AEL gives private tours to civic organizations, schools, and other organizations to provide people a better understanding of the critical necessity for proper landfill operations.

Most Americans don't realize the positive effect landfills have on the economy and environment. In many cases, the waste people create and send to a landfill can generate enough energy to power an entire community and often, revenues generated from a successfully operating landfill can be used to improve schools, roads, and the quality of life for all who live near the site.

American Environmental Landfill was purchased in 2000 by Kenneth Burkett. AEL prides itself on maintaining a high level of service while meeting and exceeding state and national environmental standards. For more information on American Environmental Landfill, can call 918-245-7786 or visit www.aelok.com.