EXCERPTS FROM THE OKLAHOMA STATUTES REGARDING DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

OKLAHOMA STATUTES

27A §2-10-302. Disclosure statement upon application – Revocation or refusal to issue, amend, modify, renew or transfer permit – Failure to disclose or stating false information - Penalty

A. 1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection, all applicants for the issuance or transfer of any solid waste permit, license, certification or operational authority shall file a disclosure statement with their applications.

2. If the applicant is a publicly held company required to file periodic reports under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, or a wholly owned subsidiary of a publicly held company, the applicant shall not be required to submit a disclosure statement, but shall submit the most recent annual and quarterly reports required by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which provide information regarding legal proceedings in which the applicant has been involved. The applicant shall submit such other information as the Department of Environmental Quality may require pursuant to this section that relates to the competency, reliability, or responsibility of the applicant and affiliated persons.

B. The Department is authorized to revoke or to refuse to issue, amend, modify, renew or transfer a permit for the disposal of solid waste from or to any person or an affiliated person who:

1. Is not, due solely to the applicant's actions or inactions, in substantial compliance with any final agency order or final order or judgment of a court of record secured by the Department issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Solid Waste Management Act; or

2. Is not in substantial compliance with any final agency order or final order or judgment of a court of record secured by any state or federal agency, as determined by that agency, relating to the storage, transfer, transportation, treatment or disposal of any solid waste; or

3. Has evidenced a history of a reckless disregard for the protection of the public health and safety or the environment through a history of noncompliance with state or federal environmental laws, including without limitation the rules of the Department, regarding the storage, transfer, transportation, treatment or disposal of any solid or hazardous waste.

C. The application shall be signed under oath by the applicant.

D. The Department may suspend or revoke a permit issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Solid Waste Management Act to any person who has failed to disclose or states falsely any information required pursuant to the provisions of this section.

E. Any person who willfully fails to disclose or states falsely any such information, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a felony and may be punished by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years or a fine of not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) or both such fine and imprisonment.

F. Noncompliance with a final agency order or final order or judgment of a court of record which has been set aside by a court on appeal of such final order or judgment shall not be considered a final order or judgment for the purposes of this section.

27A §2-10-103. Definitions

As used in the Oklahoma Solid Waste Management Act:

1. "Affiliated person" means:

   a. any officer, director or partner of the applicant,
b. any person employed by the applicant as general or key manager who directs the operations of the site, transfer station, or facility which is the subject of the application, or

c. any person owning or controlling more than five percent (5%) of the applicant's debt or equity;

2. "Disclosure statement" means a written statement by the applicant which contains:

a. the full name, business address, and social security number of the applicant, and all affiliated persons,

b. the full name and business address of any legal entity in which the applicant holds a debt or equity interest of at least five percent (5%) or which is a parent company or subsidiary of the applicant, and a description of the ongoing organizational relationships as they may impact operations within the state,

c. a description of the experience and credentials of the applicant, including any past or present permits, licenses, certifications, or operational authorizations relating to environmental regulation,

d. a listing and explanation of any administrative, civil or criminal legal actions against the applicant and affiliated person which resulted in a final agency order or final judgment by a court of record, including final order or judgment on appeal, in the ten (10) years immediately preceding the filing of the application relating to solid or hazardous waste. Such action shall include, without limitations, any permit denial or any sanction imposed by a state regulatory agency or the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and

e. a listing of any federal environmental agency and any state environmental agency that has or has had regulatory responsibility over the applicant;