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Re: Petition by Hi-Tech Trans, LLC for a Declaratory Order
Hudson County, New Jersey
Finance Docket No. FD 34192

Dear Mr. Williams:

This office represents the Hudson County Improvement Authority ("HCIA"), which is the public agency responsible for implementing the County of Hudson's solid waste management plan. HCIA is in receipt of a petition for a declaratory order dated April 2, 2002, filed by Hi-Tech Trans, LLC ("Hi-Tech"). This letter is to request an extension of ten days on HCIA's time to file an initial response to that petition.

HCIA believes that Hi-Tech's petition contains numerous erroneous factual assertions, and fails to set forth a complete and accurate statement of facts for the Board. HCIA is still in the process of reviewing the petition, however, and accordingly requests that its time to respond to the petition be extended ten days, to May 6, 2002.

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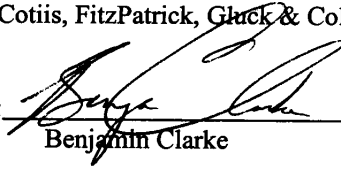
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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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