Mr. Dana Zewinski, Manager of Operations and Environmental Compliance  
J.R. Vinagro Corporation  
116 Shun Pike  
Johnston, Rhode Island 02919
Re: J.R. Vinagro Corporation  
Construction & Demolition Debris Processing Facility and Transfer Station Facility –  
License Approval

Dear Mr. Zewinski:

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (Department) has completed its review of the information submitted in support of your application for a license to operate a Construction and Demolition Debris Processing Facility and Transfer Station Facility at 116 Shun Pike, Johnston, R.I. As a result of our review, we have determined that the revised application materials submitted substantially comply with the requirements of the Solid Waste Regulations.

Therefore, the Department hereby approves and issues a license to J.R. Vinagro Corporation to operate a 2,000 tons per day Construction and Demolition Debris Processing Facility and a 500 tons per day Transfer Station Facility. J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall submit a signed original closure bond in the amount of five hundred sixty-nine thousand nine hundred and thirty dollars ($569,930.00) to satisfy the financial assurance requirements prior to receiving the license.

The Department is imposing the attached conditions as part of the license.

Please feel free to call Leo Hellested or myself at (401) 222-4700 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Laurie A. Grandchamp, P.E., Supervising Engineer  
Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

R. Mataire, Johnston Fire Marshal
Attachment A

License Conditions for J. R. Vinagro Corp.
116 Shun Pike Johnston, Rhode Island
Date: February 2011
Construction and Demolition Debris Processing Facility and Transfer Station

1. The facility shall be operated in accordance with the approved June 4, 2010 operating plan, including the July 29, 2010 revisions and in accordance with any subsequent RIDEM approved operating amendments.

2. The facility shall also be operated in accordance with the January 1997 “Rules and Regulations for Composting Facilities and Solid Waste Management Facilities”, amended October 25, 2005, in particular, Solid Waste Regulation No. 3 for transfer stations and Solid Waste Regulation No. 7 for Construction and Demolition Debris Processing Facilities.

3. In the event of any amendment(s) to the Regulations, the facility shall forthwith amend its operating plan to comply with the adopted change(s).

4. The construction and demolition processing facility shall not receive more than 2000 tons per day of construction and demolition debris (C & D).

5. The transfer station facility shall not receive more than 500 tons per day of solid waste.

6. Prior to commencement of transfer station activities and acceptance of any non-C&D solid waste, J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall receive a special use permit from the Town of Johnston.


8. In accordance with Section 1.5 of the Operating Plan, a final set of construction and engineering plans for the C & D processing facility and transfer station building, equipment, and site, shall be stamped by a registered P.E and provided to the Department for its review and approval, prior to the start of facility construction.

9. In accordance with Section 2.2 of the C & D processing facility operating plan, J.R. Vinagro Corporation (“the Corporation”) shall provide details and specifications of the final types of C & D processing equipment to be used to RIDEM for its review and approval, prior to the start of facility construction. The equipment specifications in Attachment E of the application shall be modified accordingly.
10. J. R. Vinagro shall maintain financial assurance for the C&D activities in the amount of $479,930.00 and for the transfer station activities in the amount of $82,000.00 to satisfy financial assurance requirements per rules 1.5.10, 3.1.06, 7.1.06 and 7.2.08 of the Regulations.

11. J.R. Vinagro shall not exceed the storage limit of C&D waste as outlined in Section 2.2.3.6 of the approved operating plan.

12. J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall separate out all used asphalt, brick, concrete, metal, wood and clean gypsum wallboard from the loads received and divert these materials from disposal to recycling and reuse markets.

13. J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall submit a Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Plan for water quality monitoring that meets the Department’s latest standards. Said QA/QC Plan shall include but not be limited to: a) Field Sampling Standard Operating Procedures detailing and providing rationale for sampling locations, sampling design, equipment used, QA/QC field procedures implemented, chain-of-custody procedures followed, and field observations including recording of a measurable rainfall within the previous 5 days; b) Laboratory SOP’s detailing sample handling, equipment and instruments used, standard methods followed, detection limits and quantitation levels for each parameter analyzed and how the detection limit and quantitation limit were determined; c) Annual affirmation of sampling plan; d) Metals sampling shall follow the procedures specified in EPA’s Standard Operating Procedure for the Collection of Low Level Metals Ambient Water Samples (ECASOP-Metals, revision 2, May 21, 2007).

The Department may require the submission of data in an excel format supplied by the Department.

14. J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall maintain RIPDES permit coverage under the Multi-Sector Industrial Storm Water General Permit (MSGP) (permit No: RIR50N008) and shall comply with all of the conditions of the MSGP.”

15. It shall be the responsibility of J.R. Vinagro Corporation to comply with all requirements and conditions set forth in its Fire Protection Plan, as approved by the Town of Johnston Fire Marshal, dated May 20, 2010. Any subsequent modifications to said plan shall be forwarded to the Department within twenty-one (21) days after approval by the Town of Johnston Fire Marshal.

16. J.R. Vinagro Corporation shall provide the Department, its authorized officers, employees, and representatives, and all other persons under Department oversight, an irrevocable right of access to the facility at all reasonable times for the purposes of performing inspections, investigations, testing, and examining records. The Department or other authorized designated personnel shall have the right to access the facility at all reasonable times for the above-stated purposes without prior notice. Refusal to permit reasonable inspections, tests and investigations shall constitute valid grounds for denial, revocation or suspension of a license; denial, revocation or suspension of a registration; and/or issuance of a Notice of Violation with Administrative Penalty.
17. It shall be the responsibility of J. R. Vinagro to ensure compliance with all zoning requirements and other applicable laws of the Town of Johnston. The granting of this license shall in no way restrict the Town’s right or ability to enforce all applicable local laws. In the event that local zoning limits the operation of the facility to more stringent conditions than provided in this license, the facility must submit a proposed amendment to this license within twenty-one (21) days of the effective date of those conditions to reflect consistency with the conditions imposed by the Town of Johnston.

18. Issuance of this Solid Waste License does not relieve J.R. Vinagro Corporation from complying with all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations.