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Subject: Point of Sale Pumping Inspection Report

To: Liquid Waste Pumping Companies

You have received this letter because you are an approved liquid waste hauling (LWH) company operating in Santa Cruz County. Beginning July 1, 2023, all property sales in Santa Cruz County which are served by an onsite wastewater treatment system must submit a pumping inspection report as part of the sale. As a pumping professional, if you intend to perform point of sale pump inspections, the following conditions must be met:

- The pumping inspection reports must be submitted via the Santa Cruz County LWH App.
- The pumping inspection must be conducted and reported within the preceding six months of the property sale.
- All employees of the company that perform these inspections must understand and comply with the Pumping, Cleaning and Inspecting Procedures as outlined in the attached document.
- A leachfield flow test must be performed.
- The leachfield flow test for a point-of-sale inspection must be conducted while utilizing a mechanical flow meter to verify that a minimum of 250 gallons of water has been used.

Liquid waste hauling companies that do not adhere to the point-of-sale criteria or the Pumping, Cleaning and Inspecting Procedures will no longer be qualified to perform these inspections.

If you have any questions, please email landuse@santacruzcounty.us and the Environmental Health staff will get back to you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Procedures for Cleaning and Inspecting Septic Tank Systems