



ATTACHMENT TO COST-SHARE AGREEMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

### **316 - PROVISIONS FOR POULTRY MORTALITY COMPOSTING FACILITIES**

The Applicant agrees:

- (1) To use the facility throughout the “project life” for the composting of poultry carcasses so as to correct or eliminate the water quality problem that carcasses might otherwise cause on or beneath the subject property.
- (2) To place carcasses only from flocks grown on this farm in the composter. Only compost ingredients, finished compost, and equipment needed for composting can be stored in the composter, and they must not impede its proper use.
- (3) To provide all equipment and materials that will be needed for proper composter operation. This includes equipment necessary to load, turn over and empty compost from the structure.
- (4) To attend a composter operation training course offered by the University of Maryland, Extension (UME) at the Lower Eastern Shore Research and Education Center in Princess Anne or sanctioned training at alternate venues. Grant payment under this Agreement may be with-held until UME certifies to the Department that I (or the designated operator) have received this training.
- (5) To follow the composting procedures described in the UME training course and the related reference materials.
- (6) To maintain the composter in accordance with Natural Resources Conservation Service maintenance guidelines. I agree not to alter the composter structure and not to make attachments to it, inside or outside, without getting specific prior written approval from the Department.
- (7) To comply with the attached Waste Management System Plan (WMSP), which is incorporated herein and made a part of the Agreement; to utilize *all* poultry waste generated from the farming operation in accordance with Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) which has been developed for the farm (this plan was prepared by a certified Nutrient Management Specialist with the UME or a nutrient management consultant certified by the Department and is considered a component of the WMSP); to review the farm’s NMP with UME or the certified consultant at least once every 3 years and to revise it as needed; to implement the NMP; and to work with UME or the certified consultant throughout the “project life” to keep the

NMP current, complete, and accurate. This includes informing UME if there is any change in the off-farm use of farm wastes from that specified in the NMP.

- (8) To inform the SCD and the Department of any change in operations necessitating changes in the WMSP.
- (9) To pay back to the Department all the cost-share funds received under this agreement for the composter, if the Applicant fails to comply with the provisions of this Attachment.

I have read the above provisions and shall comply with them.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_