SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION 2026-68

October 8, 2026

RESOLUTION OF THE SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING AN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AMENDING THE SALEM COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN WITH REGARD TO THE SALE OF OLDCASTLE LAWN & GARDEN, INC. TO GARDENCORE LLC.

WHEREAS, the Salem County Improvement Authority ("SCIA") is responsible for maintaining the Salem County District Solid Waste Management Plan ("SCSWMP"); and

WHEREAS, Oldcastle Lawn & Garden. Inc. ("Oldcastle") currently holds a Class B General Approval, pursuant to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") Permit #CBG240002, which allows it to receive and process Class B recyclable materials (brush, root mat, pallets, pallet grindings, tree chips, whole trees, tree stumps, stump grindings, tree trunks, wood (non-chemically treated and unpainted), large limbs, and leaves); and

WHEREAS, the Oldcastle Class B Recycling Center is currently part of the SCSWMP and is located in Upper Pittsgrove Township, Salem County, New Jersey, under Facility ID No. 133658 ("the Facility"); and

WHEREAS, Oldcastle is currently under an agreement with GardenCore, LLC. ("GardenCore") for the sale of the Facility which, among other things, will result in a name change for the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") is requiring SCIA to approve the name change that will result from the proposed permit transfer by administrative action in advance of NJDEP approving the permit transfer and in advance of the underlying sale between Oldcastle and Cedar being consummated;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by SCIA that the following Administrative Action is approved as follows:

1. SCIA hereby approves the change of the name of the Facility from Oldcastle Lawn & Garden, Inc. to. GardenCore, LLC.; and
2. The change in the name to Cedar Purchasers, LLC is conditioned upon the NJDEP approving the permit transfer from Oldcastle to GardenCore; and
3. The change in the name to GardenCore, LLC is further conditioned upon the sale of Oldcastle to GardenCore being consummated by the parties; and
4. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to send a letter to the NJDEP, with a copy of this resolution, advising them of this administrative action and the change in the name of the Facility as conditioned above; and
5. All operations of Facility shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the NJDEP and SCIA, as applicable.

Barry Davis, Secretary

Susan Bestwick, Chairperson

CERTIFICATION

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the SCIA at a regular meeting held on October 8, 2026.

Barry Davis, Secretary

GardenCore

TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to New Jersey Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 7:26A-3.15(a)1ii

FACILITY AND APPROVAL DETAILS:

Recycling Center Name: GardenCore, LLC

Physical Facility Address: 395 Route 77 South, Elmer, NJ 08318

NJDEP Recycling Center Approval Number: CBG240002

Current Approved Owner/Operator (Transferor): Oldcastle Lawn & Garden, Inc.

Proposed New Owner/Operator (Transferee): Cedar Purchasers, LLC

Proposed Effective Date of Transfer: May 8, 2026

TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT:

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am authorized to act on behalf of the proposed transferee (the prospective new owner and/or operator) regarding the recycling center approval referenced above.

In accordance with the regulatory requirements of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) set forth at **N.J.A.C. 7:26A-3.15(a)1ii**, the proposed transferee hereby acknowledges, understands, and agrees that upon written approval of this transfer by the NJDEP, the transferee shall assume full operational and compliance responsibility for the recycling center.

The proposed transferee explicitly certifies that it will abide by, fulfill, and meet all the terms, conditions, provisions, requirements, and limitations contained within the current existing NJDEP general or limited recycling center approval, as well as all applicable rules and regulations promulgated under N.J.A.C. 7:26A.

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments, and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. I understand that, in addition to criminal penalties, I may be liable for a civil administrative penalty pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-5 and that submitting false information may be grounds for denial, revocation or termination of any solid waste facility permit, recycling center approval (general or limited), or vehicle registration for which I may be seeking approval or now hold

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:

Signature: _____

Date: 9/22/26

Printed Name: Don Lind

Title: Director of Environmental, Health, Safety & Sustainability

Transferee Entity/Company Name: GardenCore, LLC

GardenCore

State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Sustainable Wast Management
Bureau of Recycling and Hazardous Waste Management
401 East State Street, 2nd Floor West
PO Box 420
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420

Date: September 28, 2026
Re: Request for Transfer of Class B General Approval.
Oldcastle Lawn & Garden Inc
Upper Pittsgrove Township, Salem County
Facility ID No: 133658
Permit No.: CBG240002

To whom it may concern,

I am requesting the transfer of the company's Class B Recycling Center General Approval in Upper Pittsgrove Township, Salem County. The General Approval is identified as Permit No.: CBG240002.

Attached to this letter is a Certification from the new operator indicating that the new operator will operate the Class B Recycling Center according to the General Approval identified above (as most recently modified on January 8, 2025). I have also provided a copy of this letter and attachments to the municipality and the recycling coordinator of Salem County.

Oldcastle Lawn & Garden (the company) has negotiated a Stock Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") for the sale of the Business (the Class B Recycling Center) to Cedar Purchasers, LLC (the "Purchaser"), a Delaware LLC (see attached Final Draft Agreements). We have redacted certain provisions of the Agreement due to their Confidential nature. In addition, the Annexes and Appendices to the Agreement, which provide details of equipment and other items are not included, again due to their Confidentiality. However, the attached Agreements should satisfy the provisions of the recycling rules for this transfer request.

N.J.A.C. 7:26A-3.15 requires the submission of certain information to be included in addition to the Agreement and the Certification, which is included in the Certification of terms and conditions. This additional information is as follows:

New Operator: GardenCore LLC. (Delaware Limited Liability Company) a direct, wholly owned company of:

Cedar Purchasers:
c/o Pacific Avenue Capital Partners, LLC
1230 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 520
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Facility Address:
395 Route 77 South
Elmer, NJ 08318

GardenCore

(Limited Liability Company):
190 Technology Parkway
Peachtree Corners, Georgia, 30092

Soc. Sec. #: The EIN number for GardenCore is 20-4933610

Also included with this written request is written certification from the above proposed transferee that all terms and conditions in the general approval will continue to be met and written agreement between America's Building Products and Cedar Purchasers, LLC containing the date for operational control. Other items included, as requested by the Department are: Air Permit, Stormwater Permit, Current Equipment List, Lease Agreement, Documentation showing the relationship between Cedar Purchasers, LLC (owner) and GardenCore LLC (Operating Entity).

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Thank you,

Hannah Defever
Environmental & Sustainability Manager