

[(3)](III) The sale of any fuel, steam, electricity, energy, or other material or resource derived from the operation of any project;

[(4)](IV) The acceptance, processing and disposal of wastes by one or more projects; or

[(5)](V) The employment or retention of consulting and other engineers, superintendents, financial advisors, attorneys, accountants, and such other employees, advisors or agents as in the judgment of the Authority may be deemed necessary or desirable;

[(p)](16) To enter with the permission of the owner upon lands, waters, or premises for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, borings, and examinations to accomplish any purpose authorized by this subtitle, the Authority being liable for any actual damage done;

[(q)](17) To make application for, receive and accept from the federal or any state government (or any agency, instrumentality, or subdivision thereof) or from any person grants relating to the Authority or any project, including (without limitation) grants for or in aid of the planning, financing, construction, acquisition, maintenance, or operation of any project; to receive and accept aid or contributions from any source, whether in the form of money or property, labor, or other things of value; and to participate in any price support program, loan program or other program of the federal or State government relating to waste disposal, resource recovery or energy generation;

[(r)](18) To make rules and regulations pertaining to the Authority and projects, which rules and regulations may (without limitation) exclude or require preconditioning of any waste that might otherwise be harmful to the project or its efficient operation or endanger the health or safety of workers or others;

[(s)](19) To enter into agreements with the Maryland Environmental Service providing for the assumption by the Maryland Environmental Service of such activities of the Authority as the Authority may deem necessary or desirable to effectuate its purposes, including agreements relating to the exchange of information between the Authority and the Maryland Environmental Service, the sharing of planning resources, the provision by the Maryland Environmental Service of personnel, consulting services and technical assistance to the Authority, and the acquisition, construction, supervision, operation or maintenance of one or more projects by the Maryland Environmental Service; and

[(t)](20) To do all things necessary to carry out its purposes and for the exercise of the powers granted in this subtitle.

[(u)](B) Anything in this subtitle to the contrary notwithstanding, the Authority does not have any power to acquire, construct, operate, finance, or otherwise provide any project located outside the boundaries of the participating counties and within the State of Maryland unless:

(1) The project is included in a service region plan adopted and approved pursuant to § 3-106 of this title; and

(2) The project is consistent with any plan which has been adopted by the