



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

February 17, 2011

Re: Lawrence County
Symmes Valley Local Schools
Compliance Evaluation Inspection (CEI)
Correspondence (PWW)

Mr. Jeff Saunders, Superintendent
Symmes Valley Local Schools
14778 State Route 141
Willow Wood, Ohio 45696

Dear Mr. Saunders:

On January 13, 2011, a Compliance Evaluation Inspection (CEI) was conducted at wastewater treatment plant for the Symmes Valley Local School District. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the District's compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. Present for the inspection were Kevin Shuff representing Symmes Valley and Vicki German and Stephen Wells representing Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office. No wastewater samples were collected as part of the inspection.

As a result of my inspection, I have the following comments:

1. There was a green pipe running from the distribution box of the sand filters to the chlorine contact tank. John Haskins, the contract operator, explained after the inspection the green pipe is used due to the flooding of the sand beds during extreme wet weather periods. The District needs to document when a bypass of the sand filter occurs and keep those records on-site for Ohio EPA review.
2. At the time of the inspection, the NPDES Permit renewal application had not been submitted. The NPDES Permit renewal application has been received and the NPDES Permit is in the process of being drafted in this office. One change in the NPDES Permit renewal will be a change from fecal coliform effluent limitations and monitoring to e-coli effluent limitations and monitoring. Symmes Valley needs to inform Mr. Haskins of these changes so sampling for e-coli can be set up.

In conclusion, Symmes Valley Local School District appeared to be in compliance with its NPDES Permit at the time of the inspection, since the NPDES Permit renewal application has been submitted to this office.

No response to above comments is requested at this time.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (740) 380-5434.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Wells". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stephen" and last name "Wells" clearly distinguishable.

Stephen Wells
District Representative
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

NPDES
Compliance Inspection Report

A. NATIONAL DATA SYSTEM CODING

Permit No.	NPDES No.	Date	Inspection Type	Inspector	Facility Type
OPT00032*AD	OH0104299	January 13, 2011	C	S	1

B. FACILITY DATA

Name & Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
Symmes Valley Local School District 14778 State Route 141 Willow Wood, Ohio 45696	1:00 p.m.	August 1, 2004
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	1:30 p.m.	July 31, 2009

Name(s) & Title(s) of On-Site Representative(s)	Phone Number(s)
Kevin Shuff, Maintenance Supervisor	(740) 643-2451
Name, Address, & Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number
Jeff Saunders, Superintendent Symmes Valley Local Schools 14778 State Route 141 Willow Wood, Ohio 45696	(740) 643-2451

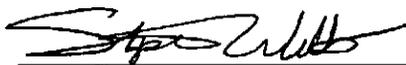
C. AREAS EVALUATED DURING INSPECTION

<u>M</u> Permit	<u>S</u> Flow Measurement	<u>N/A</u> Pretreatment
<u>S</u> Records/Reports	<u>S</u> Laboratory	<u>S</u> Compliance Schedules
<u>S</u> Operations & Maintenance	<u>S</u> Effluent/Receiving Waters	<u>S</u> Self-Monitoring Program
<u>S</u> Facility Site Review	<u>S</u> Sludge Storage/Disposal	<u>--</u> Other
<u>N/A</u> Collection System		

(S = Satisfactory; M = Marginal; U = Unsatisfactory; N = Not Evaluated; N/A = Not Applicable)

D. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS/COMMENTS (attach additional sheets if necessary)

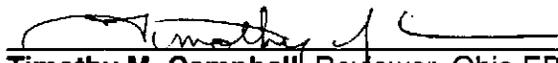
See attached letter.



Stephen Wells, Inspector, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office

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Date



Timothy M. Campbell, Reviewer, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office

2/18/11

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