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July 14, 2010

**Re:** Gallia County  
Village of Crown City  
Correspondence (PWW)

Mayor and Council  
Village of Crown City  
P.O. Box 316  
156 Charles Street  
Crown City, Ohio 45623

Dear Mayor and Council:

On April 22, 2010, I inspected Crown City with Tim Campbell of this office. In a number of locations, it was evident that there are still unsanitary conditions in the village.

We viewed the Route 7 ditch/culvert just south of the Dairy Boy/Texaco gas station. We also viewed the ditch across from 368 Gallia Street (near the park). Sewage was pooled in both locations creating unsanitary conditions. The ditches drain to the Ohio River. In the past, we have written to the village regarding these discharges of sewage, which are a violation of ORC 6111.

The village must abate the pollution problems as soon as possible. This means that the village must construct a centralized collection and treatment system, or some other option satisfactory to Ohio EPA. We intend to recommend enforcement action requiring the village to eliminate the unsanitary conditions.

We encourage you to go forward now with the design and construction of a collection and treatment system. Please respond to this letter by July 31, 2010 with your plan of action.

Sincerely,

Dan Messerly  
District Representative  
Division of Surface Water

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c: Kerry Hogan, URS Corporation, Water Resources