



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

August 11, 2011

Re: Vinton County
Village of Hamden Sanitary Sewer Proj.
Storm Water Construction Activity
0GC00632*AG

Mr. Gary Eberts
Village of Hamden
P.O. Box 355
Hamden, Ohio 45634

Dear Mr. Eberts:

On June 30, 2011, I visited the site located in Hamden that had a construction stormwater permit with the Ohio EPA. The purpose of my inspection was to determine the compliance of this site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for discharges of storm water associated with construction activity. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111.

Violators of ORC 6111 may be fined up to \$10,000 per day of violation. In addition, federal law allows for third party lawsuits for failure to comply with terms and conditions of NPDES permits.

1. Part III.G.2.b.i (Table 1) of the permit requires that permanent stabilization be applied to areas at final grade within 7 days of the last disturbance. Permanent stabilization is defined as the establishment of permanent vegetative cover, decorative landscape mulching, matting, sod, rip rap and landscaping techniques to provide permanent erosion control.

At the time of my inspection, the site was inactive and it appeared that construction activities had been completed. During the inspection, I noticed that portions of ground remained barren. Assess entire site and reseed all barren areas. Due to the current weather conditions I recommend allowing to grass to become well established into the fall before the first mowing.

Once the above stated conditions have been met the site will be within full compliance of the permit. In accordance with the NPDES permit, a Notice of Termination (NOT) must be submitted to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) to release you from the terms and conditions of this permit.

An NOT may be submitted to Ohio EPA if the following requirements have been fulfilled:

1. A perennial vegetative cover (or equivalent means of stabilization) has been established over 100% of the surface area disturbed during construction. The vegetative growth must be at a growth density of 70%.
2. All temporary sediment and erosion controls have been removed and properly disposed.
3. All sediment has been permanently stabilized to prevent further erosion.
4. Construction activity at the site has ceased.
5. All post construction requirements for water quality volume storage have been met for sites meeting or exceeding 5 acres of permitted ground disturbance.

It appears that your site meets the above criteria. If you agree, please submit an NOT within 45 days of the completion of construction activities. Failure to submit an NOT is a violation of the permit requirements and may affect your ability to obtain a NPDES permit in the future.

Please send the completed NOT to the following address:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Surface Water
Storm Water Section
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049

If there are any questions, please contact Aaron Wolfe at (740) 380-5277 or me at (740) 380-5418.

Sincerely,



Chris Stephan
Storm Water Section
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure: Notice of Termination