



Environmental
Protection Agency

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

Re: Notice of Violation
Putnam County
Country Acres Golf Course
NPDES Permit

July 13, 2011

Putnam County Commissioners
245 East Main Street
Suite 101
Ottawa, Ohio 45875

Dear Commissioners:

On June 29, 2011, an inspection was conducted at the Country Acres Golf Course. Mr. Jim Cutlip, Operator and Mr. Jim Hemrick from Country Acres Golf Course were present and provided information concerning the operation and maintenance of the treatment facilities. Our inspection observations can be found on the enclosed form. The discharge to Deer Creek was observed and the effluent appeared clear with no odor present.

A review of the Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) from November 2010, to July 2011, shows that there have been some effluent limit violations. The specific instances of non-compliance are attached on a separate sheet.

It was noted that the operator, Jim Cutlip went on vacation for a week in June and there was not a certified operator at the plant for that week. A back up certified operator needs to be at the plant for the minimum required staffing hours when the operator is on leave.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3053.

Sincerely,

Ryan Gierhart
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

pc w/enclosure:

Jim Hemrick
Jim Cutlip

DSW-NWDO File

Get New Data

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PG00083*BD	March 2011	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	17.6666	3/1/2011
2PG00083*BD	March 2011	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	27.	3/22/2011

Permit #: 2PG00083
 NPDES #: OH0079057



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
 Northwest District Office

NPDES Compliance Inspection Report
 Semi-Public Sewage Disposal Inspection Form

Section A: National Data System Coding			
Permit #	NPDES#	Month/Day/Year	Inspection Type
2PG00083	OH0079057	6/29/2011	C

Section B: Facility Data		
Name and Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
Country Acres Golf Course 7374 State Route 694 Ottawa OH 45875	1:00 p.m.	5/1/2007
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	1:45 p.m.	4/30/2012
Name(s) and Title(s) of On-Site Representatives	Phone Number(s)	
Jim Cutlip, Operator Jim Hemrick, Golf Course Superintendent	419-233-2003 419-532-3728	
Name(s), Address and Title(s) of Operator of Record	Phone Number(s)	
Jim Cutlip Operator 429 W. Taft Rd Ottawa, OH 45875	419-233-2003	
Name, Address and Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number	
Putnam County Commissioners 245 E. Main Street, Suite 101 Ottawa, OH 45875	419-523-3656	

Ohio EPA Inspector	Ohio EPA Reviewer
 Ryan Gierhart Environmental Specialist II Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office	 Elizabeth A. Wick, P.E. Water Quality Engineer Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office
7/11/11 Date	7/11/11 Date

Average Daily Design Flow:	30,000 Gallons/Day
Plant Serves:	
Average Daily Flow: (Period of Review):	12,000 Gallons/Day (estimate)
Method of flow monitoring:	Estimate from water plant usage
Type of alarms for plant:	High water alarm on pump station

Pretreatment

Type of Pretreatment: **Other**
 Does the Trash Trap need pumped: **N/A**
 Maintenance of pretreatment components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

Facility uses grinder pumps for pretreatment.

**Secondary Treatment
(Aeration)**

Color of sludge: **Dark Brown**
 Quality of Sludge: **Heavy**
 Foam: **None present**
 Odor: **No objectionable odor present**

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Aeration is taking place	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plant is septic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Blowers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blowers are on a timer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Skimmers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plant is flooded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Diffusers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grating is present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sludge return is operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Maintenance of aerating equipment is...**Good**

Comments/Status:

Good air flow in tanks. Grating missing on EQ tank

**Secondary Treatment
(Settling)**

Clarity: **Solids Present**

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Condition of Weir: **Excessive Algae/Solids Build Up**
Weir is level: **Yes**
Effluent in weir: **Heavy Solids**
Clarifier walls need scraped: **Unknown**

Overall maintenance of settling components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

The weir had a heavy build up of solids on it. Solids built up in dosing tank.

Tertiary Treatment

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Surface sand Filters: Slow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsurface	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distribution box operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Beds alternated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are filters ponding/flooding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Beds raked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand filters overgrown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chlorination present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
UV present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dechlorination present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Overall maintenance of components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

Ponding and sludge build up was observed on sand filter. Solids were observed built up in chlorine contact tank.

Sludge Handling/Storage Disposal

Hauler name: Ohio Sanitary Service
Disposal Site: Ottawa WWTP
Sludge wasted from: Clarifier
How often is sludge wasted: once / month
Sludge drying beds: **Yes** Sludge holding tank: **Yes**

Overall maintenance of components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

A sludge holding tank and drying beds are present at the facility but are not used.

Plant Discharge

Discharge point is a: **Stream**
Name of discharge point: **Deer Creek**
Discharge is visible: **Yes** Quality of Effluent: **Clear**

Comments/Status: