



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

Ted Strickland, Governor
Lee Fisher, Lt. Governor
Chris Korleski, Director

Re: Notice of Violation
Putnam County
Tall Oaks Family Center
NPDES Permit

August 18, 2010

Mr. Richard Elston
52 Main St.
Cloverdale, OH 45827

Dear Mr. Elston:

On August 11, 2010, an evaluation of the Tall Oaks Family Center wastewater treatment system was conducted. You were present to provide information concerning the operation and maintenance of the treatment facilities.

The NPDES permit 2PR00128*BD for the facility expired on February 28, 2010. As of this date, we have not received a renewal application for the permit. You are currently using the facility as a residence and discharging your wastewater to the previously permitted package treatment plant that has a direct discharge to Lapp Ditch. Ohio Revised Code Section 6111.04 prohibits discharges to Waters of the State without a permit from the Director of the Ohio EPA. If you wish to continue to use and discharge from the package plant then the NPDES permit will need to be renewed and the treatment plant will need to be properly operated and maintained under the supervision of a certified operator.

Please respond in writing within **30 days** of receipt of this letter with your plan to come into compliance with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111. Failure to comply with Ohio's environmental laws may subject you to enforcement actions by the Director of Ohio EPA.

If you have any questions please contact me at 419-373-3053

Sincerely,

Ryan Gierhart
Division of Surface Water
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PC: ~~DSW, NWDO-File~~
Follow up file
Putnam County Health Department