



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

Re: Sandusky County
Fremont Baptist Temple
Sewerage

December 23, 2010

Pastor Gary Click
Fremont Baptist Temple
1150 South County Road 198
Fremont, Ohio 43420

Dear Pastor Click:

On December 7, 2010, we met to discuss compliance issues and conduct an inspection of the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) serving Fremont Baptist Temple. Pastor Gary Click, Mr. Albert Zamora, Kusmer and Assoc /Certified Operator, and Mary Beth Cohen and Brian McGlown, Ohio EPA were present.

The following observations and recommendations were made:

1. The aeration tanks were in operation at the time of the inspection.
2. The sludge return in the north half of the clarifier was not operational and Mr. Zamora indicated that repairs are needed. The repair of this return should be completed as soon as possible. The south sludge return was operational.
3. The clarifier skimmer was above the surface level and therefore not operating. The skimmer should be adjusted as needed to operate properly.
4. The weir has separated from the effluent trough, which has resulted in short circuiting of the effluent discharge. This was noted in our previous inspection letter dated March 25, 2010, and has not yet been repaired.
5. Disinfection is to be provided from May through October. Currently there is no method of disinfection at this facility, which has resulted in permit violations. A permit to install (PTI) has been resubmitted and approved (11/18/10) for the installation of a chlorine contact tank.
6. It was indicated that (at times) the required sampling has been obtained from the clarifier tank (prior to sand filter) when there is not adequate flow at the discharge pipe to the ditch. **The required quarterly sampling of the effluent discharge is to be obtained during "discharge"**. Better planning needs to be made to obtain appropriate sample(s) during discharge, which is most likely to occur during business hours.

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A review of your monthly discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) has also been conducted. DMRs were not submitted for the following months: February 2010 thru August 2010. Disinfection (Chlorination) was not provided as required starting September 2008 thru October 2010. A list of permit violations is enclosed. Required repairs as indicated above should be made as soon as possible. Failure to properly operate and maintain the WWTP, and submit the required DMRs can be cause for escalated enforcement action that may include penalties.

If there are any questions, please contact me at 419-373-3014.

Yours truly,


Mary Beth Cohen
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosures

pc: Sandusky County Health Department
DSW-NWDO-File

**Fremont Baptist Temple 2PR00206
Frequency Violation Outfall 001**

DMR were not submitted for the following months: February 2010 thru August 2010

Reporting Period	Violation
February 2010	DMR not submitted
March 2010	DMR not submitted
April 2010	DMR not submitted
May 2010	DMR not submitted
June 2010	DMR not submitted
July 2010	DMR not submitted
August 2010	DMR not submitted

Disinfection (Chlorination) was not provided as required starting Sept. 2008 thru Oct. 2010

Reporting Period	Violation
September 2008	No Disinfection provided
October 2008	No Disinfection provided
May 2009	No Disinfection provided
June 2009	No Disinfection provided
July 2009	No Disinfection provided
August 2009	No Disinfection provided
September 2009	No Disinfection provided
October 2009	No Disinfection provided
May 2010	No Disinfection provided
June 2010	No Disinfection provided
July 2010	No Disinfection provided
August 2010	No Disinfection provided
September 2010	No Disinfection provided

Frequency Violation Outfall 001 (October 2010)

Reporting Period	Code	Parameter	Sample Frequency	Expected	Reported	Violation Date
October 2010	00083	Color, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/15/2010
October 2010	00083	Color, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/22/2010
October 2010	01330	Odor, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/01/2010
October 2010	01330	Odor, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/15/2010
October 2010	01330	Odor, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/22/2010
October 2010	01350	Turbidity, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/01/2010
October 2010	01350	Turbidity, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/15/2010
October 2010	01350	Turbidity, Severity	1/Week	1	0	10/22/2010