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Ted Strickland, Governor  
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Re: Richland County  
Village of Lexington  
NPDES Permit

October 28, 2009

Mr. Craig Roberts, Superintendent  
Village of Lexington WWTP  
44 West Main Street  
Lexington, Ohio 44904

Dear Mr. Roberts:

On October 7, 2009, an inspection was conducted of the wastewater treatment facilities serving the Village of Lexington located at 205 South Mill Street. You were present to provide a tour of the facilities and answer questions.

Construction of the new wastewater treatment plant was almost complete. All of the equipment had been installed and tested. You anticipated being able to put flow through the new plant by the end of October. The only major item remaining was the installation of the air diffusers in the aeration basin and sludge holding basin. During the inspection we discussed the maintenance of the flow EQ basin. The vegetation in the bottom of the basin should be kept to a minimum by mowing at least once per year, however it may be required more frequently to keep brush from growing too thick.

A review of the discharge monitoring reports submitted to our office for the months of April through September 2009 revealed numerous violations of the limits contained in your NPDES permit. The plant is currently operating with only one treatment lagoon due to the construction. This could be contributing to the violations.

Your NPDES permit expires on April 30, 2010. The renewal application should be submitted by October 30, 2009. Once the application is received our office will begin drafting your renewal permit. You will receive a draft copy of the permit before it is issued. Please look this draft permit over and contact me at 419-373-3070 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Walter Ariss  
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Division of Surface Water  
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