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Re: Evergreen Manor
Infectious Waste Inspection Results
Generator Registration Certificate
00-G-01290

June 13, 2008

Mr. Terry Schollmeier
Evergreen Manor
924 Robinair Way
Montpelier, Ohio 43543

Dear Mr. Schollmeier:

On May 30, 2008, an inspection of Evergreen Manor (Facility), infectious waste generator number 00-G-01290, was conducted by Brent Goetz and I, representing the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA). Mr. Eric Stantz represented facility for the inspection. The purpose of this inspection was to determine if the Facility was in compliance with the infectious waste regulations outlined in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-30 through 36.

All infectious waste is segregated at the point of generation. Proper sharps containers with labels are being utilized.

The storage room was locked and labeled with the international biohazard symbol. A storage tote in the storage room was full and the enclosed red biohazard bag was not properly tied off. OAC Rule 3745-27-34(A)(3) states, "Filled bags shall be securely tied or sealed to prevent leakage or expulsion of wastes from them during storage, handling, or transport." **The owner/operator of Evergreen Manor is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-34(A)(3) for failing to tie a filled bag during storage.** Please ensure filled bags are properly tied off when full.

Additionally, upon entering the storage room a strong, foul smelling odor was present. OAC Rule 3745-27-35(B) states in part, "Generators, transporters, and treatment facilities, as defined under Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code, shall adhere to the following regulations for the management of the infectious wastes within containers: (1) Maintain infectious wastes in a nonputrescent state, using refrigeration or freezing when necessary; and (2) If infectious waste becomes putrescent, then the waste must be immediately refrigerated or frozen and shall be treated and disposed of as soon as possible regardless of any storage time frame..." **The owner/operator of Evergreen Manor is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-35(B) for failing to maintain infectious waste in a nonputrescent state.** Proper steps need to be taken to store infectious waste in a nonputrescent state and/or the infectious waste must be shipped for disposal at an increased frequency.

The treatment shipping papers were inspected and found to be complete. The yellow copy of the treatment shipping paper was missing for the November 1, 2007, shipment. Please ensure all yellow copies are maintained at the Facility.

The infectious waste spill procedure was inspected on this day. The procedure did not state the locations of all the spill kits for the Facility. OAC Rule 3745-27-30(B)(10) states in part, "...the location of all spill containment and clean-up materials/kits at this facility, shall be listed at the top of the spill containment and clean-up procedure." **The owner/operator of Evergreen Manor is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-30(B)(10) for not listing the spill kit locations at the top of the spill containment and clean-up procedure.** Please submit a copy of the revised procedure to Ohio EPA.

Multiple spill kits were inspected and were found to be missing boundary tape and proper disinfectant. OAC Rule 3745-27-30(B)(11) states in part, "Materials utilized in the clean-up of a spill of infectious wastes shall include, but are not limited to:... (b) An U.S. EPA registered hospital disinfectant that is also tuberculocidal, or materials necessary to prepare a minimum ten per cent sodium hypochlorite solution prepared immediately prior to use...; (e)... boundary tape..." **The owner/operator of Evergreen Manor is in violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-30(B)(11) for not having all of the required materials available in each spill kit.**

Please be advised that your Ohio EPA infectious waste generator certificate expires June 27, 2008. Please take all necessary steps to renew your certificate, if appropriate.

Compliance with the requirements outlined in this letter, or the solid and infectious waste provisions contained in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3734 and the rules promulgated thereunder, does not relieve the owner/operator of Evergreen Manor from their obligation to comply with other applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

This correspondence addressed specific observations only for the areas of Evergreen Manor that were inspected. Nothing present in, nor absent from this correspondence is intended to mean that no other violations existed at the facility at the time of inspection.

Please respond to Ohio EPA within 14 days of the date of this letter with your corrective actions pertaining to these violations. Please ensure infectious waste is managed properly in the future.

Please call me at 419-373-3126 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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