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**HARRISON COUNTY  
IW - SUNNYSLOPE NURSING HOME**

Sunnyslope Nursing Home  
102 Boyce Drive  
Bowerston, Ohio 44965

**Attention: Mr. Dwain Zink**

Dear Mr. Zink:

As you recall, on December 12, 2006, I conducted an inspection of the Sunnyslope Nursing Home, as required by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-37-08(A). The purpose of my inspection was to determine the status of Sunnyslope Nursing Home's compliance with Ohio EPA's infectious waste regulations. During the course of the inspection, we viewed sharps containers, temporary infectious waste storage areas and the infectious waste shipping papers.

During my inspection, you informed me that the Sunnyslope Nursing Home is currently owned by the same corporate entity that owns the Gables Care Center, located in Hopedale, Ohio. The Gables Care Center is currently registered with the Ohio EPA as a large generator of infectious waste.

As we discussed during my inspection, OAC Rule 3745-27-36(A)(1)(c) states that each application applies to **all premises** operated by the generator which either generates or treats infectious waste. Since the same corporate entity that owns the Sunnyslope Nursing Home also owns the Gables Care Center, the Sunnyslope Nursing Home must also be included on your corporate entity's large generator registration certificate.

Therefore, please have your corporate office submit to the director of environmental protection the following forms for the Sunnyslope Nursing Home: Amended Infectious Waste Generator Registration Certificate Form and an Amended Infectious Waste Premises Information Form. Once completed, please send these forms to the address listed on the forms. I have enclosed copies of these forms for your convenience.

Your infectious waste shipping papers documented that all infectious waste generated at Sunnyslope Nursing Home is currently being shipped for treatment. Infectious waste is currently being collected by Stericycle, 28161 Keith Drive, Lake Forest, IL. Stericycle currently holds Registered Infectious Waste Transporter Certificate #00-T001-99. However, based on your shipping papers, it appears that Stericycle currently collects the infectious wastes generated at the Sunnyslope Nursing Home, approximately once every three months.

Please be advised that all generators of infectious waste may not store infectious waste for more than thirty-five (35) days. The 35-day storage limit begins when any amount of infectious waste is initially placed in a storage container, including, but not limited to, sharps containers. Therefore, please make the necessary arrangements with your registered transporter to have infectious wastes generated at the Sunnyslope Nursing Home removed for proper disposal prior to the end of a 35-day storage period.

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I have enclosed a copy of an Ohio EPA guidance document for large generators of infectious waste. Please review carefully the information contained in the guidance document. Thank you for your courteous assistance during my inspection. Should you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance, please contact me at (740) 380-5408.

Sincerely,



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cc: Harrison County Health Commissioner