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**RE: PERRY COUNTY
SITE- GEN**

Mr. Charles Foster
C&S Scrap Metal
416 East Main Street
Junction City, Ohio 43748

Dear Mr. Foster:

Ohio EPA has received a complaint regarding conditions at C&S Scrap Metal in Junction City. The complaint alleged that liquid waste from your operations is entering a stormwater sewer and discharging to Rushcreek. I conducted a site investigation with the assistance of the Junction City Police Department on December 29, 2009. I was accompanied by Rich Stewart and Aaron Wolfe of the Ohio EPA Southeast District Office during this inspection. In addition, I visited the property on January 6, 2010. C&S was not open for business during either visit.

During these visits to your facility, I observed multiple piles of scrap metal including vehicles and vehicle parts. Other piles consisted of bicycles, appliances and assorted piles of angle iron, re-bar, and sheet metal.

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3754-27-03(A)(6) governs the operations of recycling facilities in Ohio. I have attached a copy of this rule for your review. I would like to schedule a time to visit your business to discuss your operations and review recycling records at C&S Scrap Metal.

During the above referenced visits, a suspected gas line leak was also investigated. I have discussed this matter with property owner Myron Bear and Foraker Gas. It is my understanding the gas leak has been repaired.

As a result of investigations conducted by Ohio EPA on December 29, 2009, and on January 6, 2010, other representatives of Ohio EPA may be in contact regarding certain aspects of your operations at C&S Scrap Metal. Please feel free to contact me at 740/380-5219 to schedule a site visit at your business.

Sincerely,

Peter C. Thompson
Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management

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Attachment

cc: Perry County Health Department
Myron Bear
Ralph Witte- OCAP
Aaron Wolfe- DSW/SEDO
John Rochotte- DHWM/SEDO
Chief Caldwell- Junction City Police Department