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August 24, 2011

Ms. Jacqui Bastian  
TriHealth, Group Health Associates  
6010 Mason - Montgomery Rd.  
Mason, OH 45040

Re: TriHealth, Group Health Associates, Infectious Waste Notice of Violation (NOV),  
Warren County, Reg # 31-G-01403.

Dear Ms. Bastian,

On August 23, 2011, I met with you at the TriHealth, Group Health Associates to conduct a "Large Generator of Infectious Waste" inspection. The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with applicable State of Ohio Infectious Waste regulations, Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rules 3745-27-30, 33, 34, 35 and 36.

During my visit, I conducted a full facility inspection, which included but was not limited to; review of the shipping papers, infectious waste segregation, sharps containers, packaging of infectious waste, and infectious waste storage areas.

The following violation was documented as a result of the inspection. The violation is prefaced by the appropriate Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) citation.

**1) Spill Containment / Cleanup Procedures OAC 3745-27-30 (A)(10)**

-This regulation states in part:

"Develop a spill containment and clean-up procedure. A copy of the procedure shall be posted or readily available on the premises to persons likely to handle infectious waste, including janitorial services. The name, address, and telephone number of the infection control manager or the infectious waste control manager and their backup, along with the location of all spill containment and clean-up materials / kits at the facility, shall be listed at the top of the spill containment and clean-up procedure."

- *During my visit, it was determined that TriHealth, Group Health Associates did not have established cleanup procedures that had been up-dated due to changes in personnel.*

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Please correct the violation immediately and submit documented proof of the correction within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter.

Failure to list specific deficiencies in this correspondence does not relieve you from complying with all applicable Solid and Infectious waste rules and regulations.

Should you require any technical or regulatory assistance, please feel free to contact me at (937) 285-6648.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pat Willoughby".

Pat Willoughby  
Division of Materials and Waste Management  
Southwest District Office

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cc: DMWM/SWDO file