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October 18, 2011

Mr. Jim Hostetler, General Manager  
Candlewood Lake, Inc.  
7326 St. Rt. 19, Unit 1507  
Mt. Gilead, OH 43338

**Re: Candlewood Lake, Inc.  
Morrow County  
Complaint Investigation  
Notice of Violation**

Dear Mr. Hostetler:

On October 4, 2011, Ohio EPA received a citizen's complaint that alleged improper management of wastes by Candlewood Lake, Inc. (CLI) at or near the maintenance shop area. Specifically, the complainant alleged that used tires had been buried at a location approximately 50 yards northwest of the water tower and that vehicle fluids (i.e., oil, antifreeze, etc.) were not being appropriately managed.

On October 7, 2011, Phil Farnlacher and I met with you to discuss the complaint and associated allegations. We explained to you that Phil would be investigating solid waste associated issues (i.e., non-hazardous solid wastes, used tires, composting, etc.) and I would be investigating hazardous waste associated issues (i.e., hazardous waste, used oil, universal wastes, antifreeze, etc.). The three (3) of us then went to the maintenance shop and surrounding area to review the site and further discuss CLI's waste management practices.

As we discussed, this Notice of Violation (NOV) citation specifically deals with the management of used oil. You will also find enclosed additional information regarding management of used oil, used oil filters, used antifreeze, and universal wastes (i.e., fluorescent light bulbs, batteries, pesticides, mercury switches). Solid waste associated issues will be discussed in a separate portion of this letter.

Based on the findings of this complaint investigation, it has been determined that CLI is currently in violation of the following Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule:

**OAC Rule 3745-279-22(C)(1), Used Oil Storage Requirements for Generators – Labels:** Containers and aboveground tanks used to store used oil at generator facilities must be labeled or marked clearly with the words "Used Oil."

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At the time of the investigation, there were several containers, from 5 to 55 gallons each, in the maintenance shop that contained used oil. Also, there was a large tank (~250 gallons) located outside at the rear of an adjacent building which oil from the smaller containers were emptied into prior to recycling. Neither the containers nor the tank were appropriately labeled.

In order for CLI to abate this violation, all containers/tanks used for management of used oil must be labeled with the words "Used Oil." Within thirty (30) days, please send to my attention documentation and/or photographs indicating that all containers/tanks used for management of used oil have been appropriately labeled. Also, please identify measures CLI has taken to assure this violation will not be repeated in the future.

The documentation requested above should be sent to the following address:

Ohio EPA  
Division of Materials and Waste Management  
Central District Office  
Attn: Randy Sheldon  
P.O. Box 1049  
Columbus, OH 43216-1049.

### **Solid Waste Associated Issues**

CLI is using an area behind the maintenance shop for the disposal of soil, aggregate, and other hard fill materials. It is in this area that the alleged disposal of tires took place. During our investigation you indicated that all truck and implement tires are changed and then ultimately disposed of via nearby provider. We did not find any evidence that tires had been dumped in this area. During the site walk over we did find two old on-rim tires west of the storage shed. Ultimately these tires should be disposed of by taking them to a tire dealer or a scrap tire facility.

CLI also is operating a small compost area west of the maintenance shop along the southern tree line. As we discussed, small on-site compost sites do not have to be registered with the Ohio EPA as long as they are smaller than 1,200 square feet and are only used for yard waste (grass, leaves, brush).

Should you have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact either one of us. Phil can be reached by telephone at 614-728-3890 and I can be reached by telephone at 614-728-5037.

You may also find helpful information on Ohio EPA's web site found at: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/>.

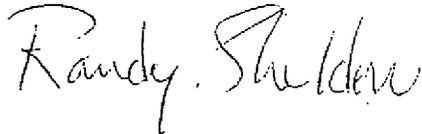
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NOTICE: Ohio EPA's failure to list specific violations or deficiencies in this letter does not relieve CLI from having to comply with all applicable regulations.

Respectfully,



Randy Sheldon

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Enclosures

c: Brad Hauser, DMWM, CO

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RS/nsm Candlewood

