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September 2, 2008

RE: BENTTREE CONDOMINIUMS
PERMIT NO. 3GW00023
PORTAGE COUNTY
MANTUA TOWNSHIP

Ms. Amy Sayre, President
Benttree Condominiums
11056 State Route 44, Unit P
Mantua, Ohio 44255

CERTIFIED MAIL

Dear Ms. Sayre:

On August 15, 2008, an inspection of the above referenced facility's wastewater treatment system was conducted. No one was present during the inspection. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the operation and maintenance of the treatment system along the facility's compliance status with respect to the terms and conditions of the above referenced National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

During the inspection, the following items were noted:

1. The plant design of the wastewater treatment system is 12,500 gpd.
2. The blowers were running and the plant was receiving good aeration.
3. The contents of the aeration tank were medium brown in color and no foam was present. This is typical of a properly operating plant.
4. Both the sludge return line and the skimmer return line were functioning properly.
5. Scum build-up was present behind the baffle in the settling tank, (see Figure 1). This scum should be removed and properly disposed.
6. The weirs and the sidewalls in the settling tank had scum build-up. They should be scraped down, (see Figure 2).
7. One surface sand filter bed was overgrown with vegetation. This vegetation should be removed immediately. Also, both surface sand filter bed media were covered with a layer of sludge, (see Figure 3). The sludge should be properly disposed at a licensed solid waste landfill.
8. Once the sludge layer is removed in the surface sand filter beds, additional filter media may be required. In general 18 inches of approved filter sand is necessary. Any filter sand that is used must meet the requirements of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-42-09. More specifically, for conventional surface sand filters, filter sand shall be washed and free of silt; have an effective size of 0.4 mm to 1.0 mm; and have a uniformity coefficient less than 3.0.
9. The chlorination unit dispensing tube was adequately stocked with tablets.
10. The final effluent being discharged was clear and appeared to be of satisfactory visual quality.
11. A Web-based application for submitting the monthly operating report is currently available. Web addresses are available below which provide information on this topic along with training dates.

MS. AMY SAYRE, PRESIDENT
BENTTREE CONDOMINIUMS
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This office has recently reviewed your self-monitoring reports covering the period July 1, 2006 through July 31, 2008 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of non-compliance are as follows:

Limit Violations

Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
601	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3	1D Conc	1.5	1.67	7/18/2007

Please note that Ohio EPA has converted from the existing **SWIMware** software to a Web-based reporting system, **e-DMR**. The new reporting system is entirely Web based and accessible via any Internet connection. Ohio EPA Form 4500, commonly known as MORs, will now be called Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs or e-DMRs). User training is going to be available in October of this year. Please consult the following Web site for updates regarding the specific date:

<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/swims/eDMR/eDMRtraining.html>

If you need additional information pertaining to the SWIMware replacement e-DMR, consult the following Web site.

<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/swims/eDMR/eDMR.html>

Please notify this office in writing within 14 days receipt of this letter your intentions to resolve items 5, 6, 7, and 8. This letter shall include a completion date for each item. A follow-up inspection will be conducted subsequent to the completion date.

Please be advised that such instances of non-compliance may be cause for enforcement actions pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 6111.

Should you have any comments or questions concerning this letter, please feel free to call me at (330) 963-1143.

Respectfully,

Michael W. Stevens

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Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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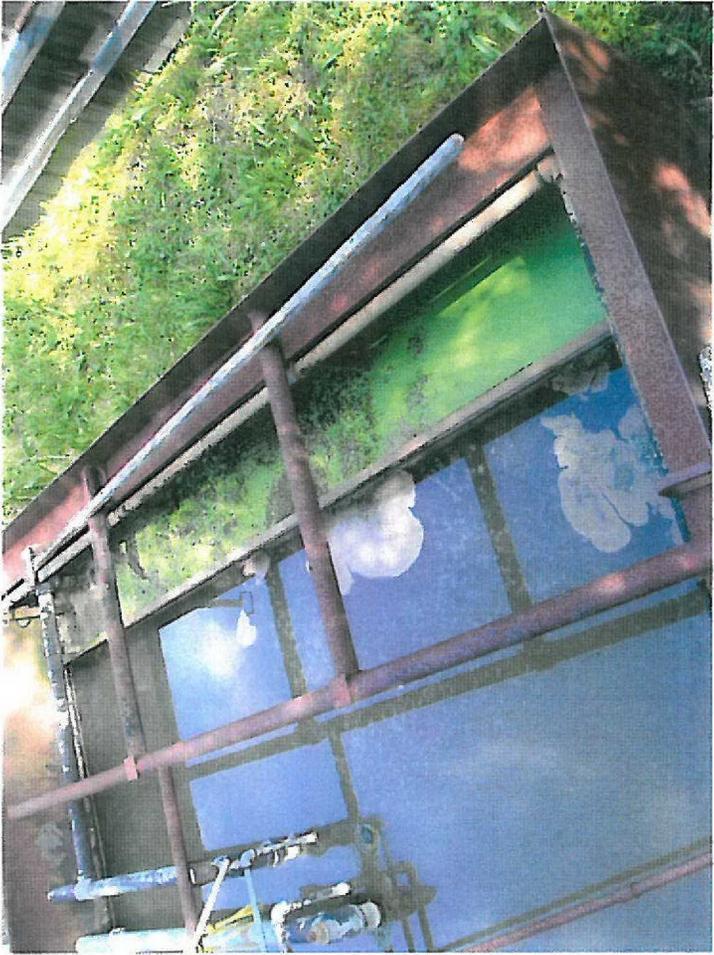


Figure 1

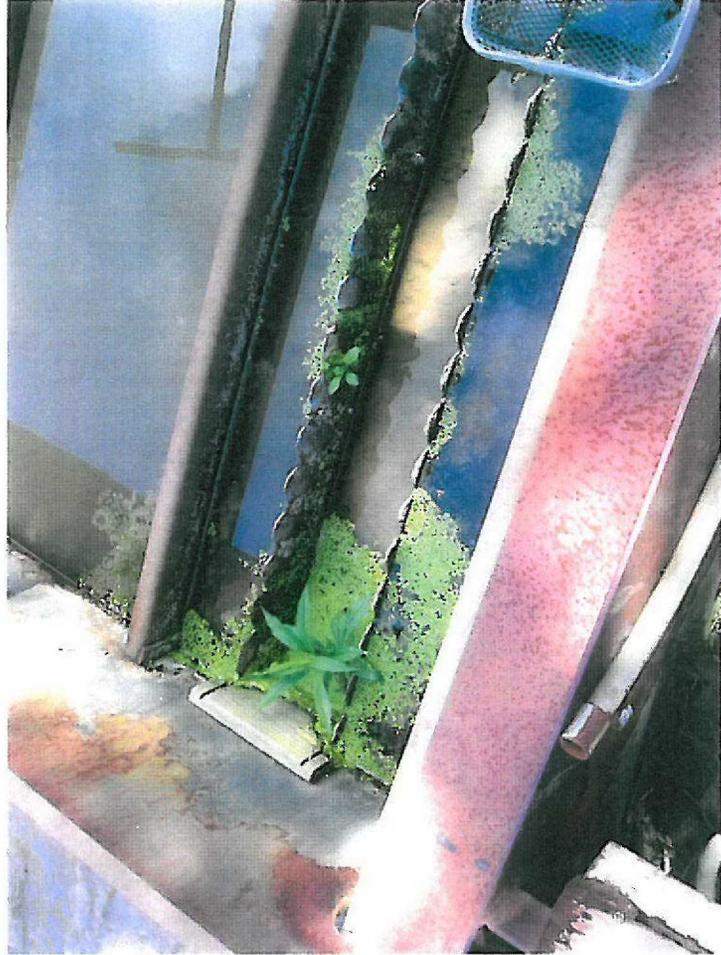


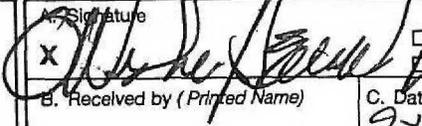
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