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August 8, 2007

Mr. Kurt Hileman
AK Steel Corporation
1801 Crawford Street
Middletown, Ohio 45043

RE: Notice of Violation
NPDES Permit 1ID00001*ID; Outfall 641

Dear Mr. Hileman:

I have received your noncompliance notification dated August 3, 2007 regarding a permit limit that was exceeded for the daily loading limit for zinc on July 10, 2007 at outfall 641. The specific instance of noncompliance is as follows:

EFFLUENT LIMIT VIOLATION AT OUTFALL 641

| <u>Parameter</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Permit Limit</u> | <u>Value Reported</u> |
|------------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Zinc, Total | July 10, 2007 | 1.65 kg/day | 3.10 kg/day |

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations or to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.

I have reviewed your noncompliance notification that was received in this office on August 6, 2007. To determine compliance with the noncompliance notification requirements I will need the following information:

1. Did you call the spill hotline number at 1-800-282-9378 in accordance with Part III, paragraph 12. A of the permit? If so, what was the date of the call and what was the incident number assigned by Ohio EPA?
2. What was the date and time you became aware of the violation? The noncompliance notification seems to be sent late but I need to determine when you became aware of the limit violation.
3. How much process water (gallons) ended up in the sump? How long did the leakage last (minutes, hours, etc)?



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Regarding the remedial steps to correct the problem that caused the violation of the permit limit, I will need to know when the additional curbing will be completed and the approximate date that the personnel will be retrained on wastewater management procedures.

Please respond within ten (10) days with this information. If you have any questions, please call me at (937) 285-6101.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Osika".

Mary Osika
Environmental Specialist
Division of Surface Water

Cc: Sudhir Desai, USEPA, Region 5

