



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
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NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

Re: Mercer County
Rockford Village PWS
Community Water System
PWS ID# 5401112
STU ID# 5456406

January 26, 2012

Mr. Jeffrey L. Long, Administrator
Village of Rockford
151 East Columbia Street
P.O. Box 282
Rockford, Ohio 45882

Dear Mr. Long:

The Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW) Plant – Distribution Monthly Operating Report (MOR) for the month of December 2011 was received by the Ohio EPA-Northwest District Office (NWDO) as required on January 10, 2011.

Review of the December 2011 MOR indicates that the analytical result (1.49 mg/L) for iron exceeds the secondary maximum contaminant level (MCL). The Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-82-02 establishes the secondary MCL at (0.3 mg/L) for iron. OAC rule 3745-91-09 requires provision of treatment for removal of iron when an excessive amount of this substance is present in the untreated water. Consider the following items to determine why the standard is not being met:

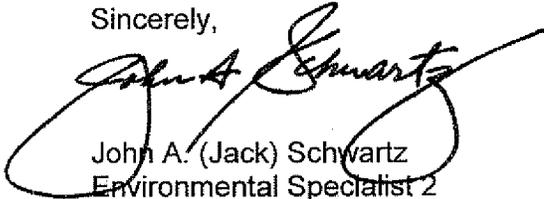
1. Review the sampling location and technique used (i.e. was the sample pulled too soon after backwash events?)
2. Review the operation/maintenance of the filtering units (i.e. what is the head loss across the whole unit, is the filter media cemented or is channeling of the media occurring?)
3. Provide additional units/new equipment, or change treatment sequence. *

** Note: Plan approval by this agency is required whenever a substantial change is made to the water system.*

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, or any other matter involving your PWS, then contact me directly by telephone at (419) 373-3088 or via electronic messaging at jack.schwartz@epa.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Schwartz". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and "S".

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Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

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