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August 24, 2010

Mr. William Vance
City Manager
City of Pickerington
100 Lockville Road
Pickerington, OH 43147

Dear Mr. Vance:

It was good meeting you July 22, 2010 for discussion of the city's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) improvements. After the meeting Erin Sherer, John Owen and I from this office joined Ed Drobina and Brenda VanCleve of your staff at the WWTP.

As was discussed during our meeting with you, this office is evaluating enforcement options in response to the city's long term noncompliance. This office will advise you once a decision is made regarding resolution of this matter.

Attached is a report which summarizes progress thus far with the WWTP upgrade and which references issues yet to be addressed. On August 23, 2010 Mr. Drobina provided verbal notification that the upgraded portion of the plant has been placed into service.

If you have questions regarding this report I can be reached by telephone at 614-728-3850 or by e-mail at jan.rice@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,



Jan A. Rice
Environmental Specialist
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Central District Office

c: Ed Drobina, Service Manager
Kent Sanderson, Chief Operator

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NPDES
Compliance Inspection Report

A. NATIONAL DATA SYSTEM CODING

Permit No. 4PB00017	NPDES No. OH0031119	Date 7/22/10	Inspection Type R	Inspector S	Facility Type 1
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B. FACILITY DATA

Name and Location of Facility Inspected City of Pickerington Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) 525 South Hill Road Pickerington, Ohio 43147	Entry Time 10:45 A.M.	Permit Effective Date 1/1/08
	Exit Time 11:45 A.M.	Permit Expiration Date 12/31/12

Name(s) and Title(s) of On-Site Representative(s)	Phone Number(s)
Edward Drobina, Service Manager, 200 Hereford Drive, Pickerington, Ohio 43147	614-833-2292
Name(s) Address and Title(s) of Operator of Record	Phone Number(s)
Kent Sanderson, 525 South Hill Road, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 Chief Operator	614-837-6470
Name, Address and Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number
William Vance, 100 Lockville Road, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 City Manager	614-837-3974

C. AREAS EVALUATED DURING INSPECTION (S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, N = Not Evaluated)

- N Permit
- N/N Records/Reports
- N Operations & Maintenance
- S Facility Site Review
- N Collection System
- N Flow Measurement
- M Laboratory - on May 27, 2010 Ohio EPA laboratory staff performed a Performance Audit Inspection of the WWTP laboratory. An Ohio EPA report dated June 24, 2010 listed numerous things requiring attention to improve data quality and accuracy of laboratory analyses. The permittee is already working to address report concerns and intends devoting more time to this effort as soon as the WWTP upgrade is completed.
- U/N Effluent/Receiving Waters - effluent limitation violations are listed in Attachment "A" of this report.
- N/N Sludge Storage/Disposal
- N Pretreatment
- U Compliance Schedules WWTP - the upgraded portion of the plant was placed into service August 17, 2010. Consistent total dissolved solids limitation compliance will not likely occur until the permittee completes its water treatment plant upgrade possibly in 2011. Compliance Schedule violations are listed in Attachment "A" of this report.
- S Self-Monitoring Program

D. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS/COMMENTS: See comments in Item C above.



Jan Rice, Inspector, Ohio EPA, Central District Office

8/24/10

Date



Erin Sherer, Reviewer, Ohio EPA, Central District Office

8/24/10

Date

Attachment "A"

City of Pickerington WWTP
 Effluent Limitations Violations
 12/1/09 - 7/31/10
 Outfall Monitoring Station 4PB00017001

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
4PB00017*LD	February 2010	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	14	16.6	2/8/2010
4PB00017*LD	March 2010	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	9.0	13.3076	3/1/2010
4PB00017*LD	March 2010	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	14	31.6	3/22/2010
4PB00017*LD	March 2010	001	00300	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	8.0	7.34	3/25/2010
4PB00017*LD	May 2010	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	0.96	1.56667	5/1/2010
4PB00017*LD	May 2010	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	1.4	1.46667	5/15/2010
4PB00017*LD	May 2010	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	1.4	4.	5/22/2010
4PB00017*LD	July 2010	001	00515	Residue, Total Dissolv	30D Conc	1632	2014.33	7/1/2010

Table 1.

Compliance Schedule Violations

Facility	Permit No	App No	Permit Effective Date	Permit Expiration Date	Schedule Due Date	Completion Date	Event Code	Schedule Type	Schedule Milestone
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	2/1/2008	2/19/2008	1799	Construction	Complete Plans & Specs
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	7/1/2008	7/18/2008	95999	Other	Status Report
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	8/1/2008	10/20/2008	3099	Construction	Begin Construction
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	1/1/2009	Not Completed	5699	Construction	Compliance w/ Interim Eff Limits
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	2/1/2010	Not Completed	4599	Construction	End Construction
Pickerington WWTP	4PB00017*LD	OH0031119	1/1/2008	12/31/2012	2/1/2010	Not Completed	5699	Construction	Compliance w/ Final Eff Limits

Table 2.