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Geoffrey W. Burns, Executive Director
Geneva Hills
1380 Blue Valley Road, SE
Lancaster, OH 43130

Re: **Geneva Hills Center WWTP**
NPDES Permit 4pr00094/ OH0124192
Reconnaissance Inspection
Fairfield County

Dear Mr. Burns:

On June 20, 2011, a Reconnaissance Inspection was conducted at the Geneva Hills Wastewater Treatment Works (WWTW). The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate compliance with the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit and to evaluate the operation and maintenance of the WWTW. During the inspection you and I discussed issues facing the existing treatment works and your plans for possible future improvements.

Attachment "A" in this report lists violations that have occurred during the period of time extending from December 1, 2008, through March 31, 2011. Continued violations are unacceptable.

As can be seen in Attachment "A", most of the effluent limitation violations were for suspended solids. The suspended solids violations may possibly be due to sediment and vegetation that has accumulated where samples are collected near the wetland outlet pipe. The sample collection area must be kept as clean as possible and maintained so that a representative sample of wastewater discharged from the wetland can be collected without risk of sample contamination from miscellaneous debris.

Part II, Item N, in the wastewater discharge permit requires installation of an outfall marker sign. A sign was not noticed at the time of this inspection. This sign must be installed as soon as possible, but no later than September 15, 2011.

As per our discussion during the inspection, the wastewater discharge permit requires that you hire a Class I wastewater certified operator. The operator must be hired as soon as possible, but no later than September 15, 2011. See this link: http://www.epa.state.oh.us/portals/28/documents/opcert/contract_operator_list.pdf for a list of possible operators you may consider. You are not limited to those individuals on the list but it is a place to start. Your local telephone directory may contain other individuals for your consideration.

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Also, see these links

http://www.epa.state.oh.us/portals/35/permits/NPDESTransferForm_fis.pdf and
http://www.epa.state.oh.us/portals/35/permits/NPDESTransfer_instructions_10_03_s.pdf for
your use in transfer of the wastewater discharge permit from the Presbytery of Scioto Valley
to Geneva Hills Group, Inc.. Please complete and return the forms to Mr. Anthony Hanes in
this office as soon as possible at the following address:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Central District Office
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049

The contract operator list and the permit transfer form had also been e-mailed to you on
June 20, 2011.

During this inspection the wastewater flow meter was noted as not displaying any
information regarding the last time that it had been calibrated. The flow meter documents
the wastewater volume discharged from the extended aeration portion of the WWTW into
the wetland. Please provide as soon as possible the date upon which flow meter calibration
last occurred. If the meter has not been calibrated within the last year then you must make
arrangements with a qualified individual to calibrate the meter. An accurate record of flows
discharged is necessary for reporting to this office on monthly discharge monitoring reports
as well as for use in planning future wastewater improvements.

During the inspection you mentioned the possibility of revising the WWTW so that the
wetland was no longer used for wastewater treatment. Deleting the wetland from the
WWTW would require that you work with your consultant for submittal of an alternate
treatment plan and Permit to Install to this office for review and approval. If you have
questions regarding the Permit to Install process please contact Ms. Kelly Thiel in this office
either by telephone at 614-728-3856 or by e-mail at kelly.thiel@epa.state.oh.us.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the enclosed inspection report, please
contact me by telephone at (614) 728-3839 or by e-mail at erin.sherer@epa.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,



Erin Sherer
Enforcement/Compliance Group Supervisor
Division of Surface Water
Central District Office

Enclosure

Attachment "A"

Compliance Data for Geneva Hills Center WWTP between 12/1/2008 to 3/31/2011

Summary

Permit Effluent Limit Violations: 22
 Permit Effluent Code Violations: 11

Permit Effluent Frequency Violations: 11*
 Compliance Schedule Violations: 0

Limit Violations						
Reporting Period	Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
July 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	13.	7/1/2009
August 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	15.	8/1/2009
September 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	15.	9/1/2009
December 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	72.	12/1/2009
December 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	139.	12/8/2009
January 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	13.	1/1/2010
May 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	15.	5/1/2010
July 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	25.	7/1/2010
July 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	25.	7/8/2010
July 2010	001	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	6.0	2.31	7/9/2010
August 2010	001	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10	17.5	8/1/2010
August 2010	001	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	6.0	5.06	8/6/2010
August 2010	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	33.8	8/15/2010
September 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	26.	9/1/2010
September 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	26.	9/1/2010
September 2010	001	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3	30D Conc	1.0	1.965	9/1/2010
September 2010	001	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3	7D Conc	1.5	1.965	9/1/2010
October 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	46.	10/1/2010
October 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	75.	10/15/2010
November 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	285.	11/1/2010
November 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Qty	0.32	32362	11/1/2010
November 2010	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	285.	11/15/2010

Signatures

Jan Rice

7/26/11

Erin Sherer

7/26/11

Jan Rice, Inspector
Compliance & Enforcement
Division of Surface Water
Central District Office

Date

Erin Sherer, Reviewer
Compliance & Enforcement Supervisor
Division of Surface Water
Central District Office

Date

*The facility has 5 missing data reports.

Missing Reports		
Station	Required Report Period	DMR Received
001	4/1/2009	No
001	6/1/2009	No
001	6/1/2010	No
001	4/1/2011	No
001	5/1/2011	No





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