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Lake Darby Estates WWTP  
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**Re: 4PU00001/OH0036005  
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
LAKE DARBY ESTATES  
FRANKLIN COUNTY**

Dear Mr. Schwing:

Several odor complaints have been received by this office over the last two weeks. On August 11, I met your operator and reviewed plant operations. It was routine to press the sludge, put the pressed sludge in the sand beds, and once the beds were full it would be hauled to the landfill. While this procedure is adequate during temperate weather, it proves to be unacceptable during the humid days.

After review of your file, the odor complaints were numerous during the last two weeks of July until the first two weeks of September, dependent on the year. During these months, I revised his procedure to remove the sand bed step and have the pressed sludge hauled directly to the landfill. In months outside this time frame, he is to use this procedure on any day that the humidity would significantly heighten the odors associated with pressed sludge on the sand beds.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at (614) 728-3847.

Sincerely,

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