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June 26, 2008

Mr. Jeffery Blodgett, CHMM
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.
3101 North Ridge Road East
Lorain, OH 44055

**Re: Columbia Gas Bangs Facility
NPDES permit: 4IM00100**

Dear Mr. Blodgett:

Attached is the Reconnaissance Inspection Report conducted by Ohio EPA for the Columbia Gas Bangs facility located at 8284 Columbus Road in Knox County, Ohio and operating under NPDES permit 4IM00100.

There are a few items in the Attachment section of the report which require a **written response. Please respond in writing within 30 days of the receipt of this letter/report.**

Should you have any questions, please call me at (614) 728-3846.

Sincerely,



Larry Korecko
Environmental Specialist
Enforcement and Compliance
Division Surface Water
Central District Office

LK/nsm Columbia Gas Bangs Center RI 5-08 cover letter

Ted Strickland, Governor
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NPDES COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT

Section A: National Data System Coding

Permit #	NPDES	Yr/Mo/Day	Insp. Type	Inspector	Fac Type
41M00100	OH0053538	08/05/05	R	S	2
Watershed		Kokosing			

Section B: Facility Data

Facility Name:	Columbia Gas of Ohio Bangs facility	Entry Time	Permit Eff. Date
Address:	8284 Bangs Road		04/01/07
City/State/Zip:	Bangs, Ohio (Knox County)	Exit Time	Permit Exp. Date
			03/31/12

On-Site Representatives	Contract Operator-
Name:	Jeff Blodgett
Title:	Environ, Health & Safety Coordinator
Phone:	440-240-6104

Responsible Official	
Name/Title:	Jeff Blodgett, Environment, Health & Safety Coordinator
Address:	NI Source 3101 North Ridge Road E, Lorain, OH 44055
Phone:	440-240-6104

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection:

(S=Satisfactory, U=Unsatisfactory, N=Not-Evaluated, M=Marginal)

Permit	S	Effluent/ Receiving Waters	S
Records/Reports	S	Sludge Storage/ Disposal	N/A
Operations & Maintenance	S	Pretreatment	N/A
Facility Site Review	S*	Compliance Schedules	N/A
Collection System	N/A	Self-Monitoring Program	S
Flow Measurement	S*	Other	
Laboratory	N		

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments:

* See Attachment

Are there logs kept of maintenance on the bag filter or oil coalescer? If not please begin.

Sign posted indicating outfall is obstructed by leaves. Please trim tree so sign is readable

Report 24 hour flow on day in which sample is taken. If samples taken on different days report a flow for each day

Name of Inspector: Larry Korecko Ohio EPA, Central District Office

Signature: *Larry Korecko* Date: 6-25-08

Name of Reviewer: Erin Sherer Ohio EPA, Central District Office

Signature: *Erin Sherer* Date: 6-25-08

ATTACHMENT

Operations and Maintenance

The Columbia Gas Bangs Center renewal NPDES permit effective 4-1-07 reflected some changes in operation and sewage treatment at the facility.

For the period October 2004 through February 2007 Columbia Gas used its existing package sewage treatment plant as a holding tank. It discharged all its sanitary wastewater and hydrostatic test water into this former STP and had it all hauled off-site for treatment/disposal.

For the on-site treatment of sanitary wastewater, a Wisconsin sand mound system was approved and constructed through Permit to Install 01-11580 issued November 3, 2005. On the day of inspection, it appeared to be operating satisfactory.

The hydrostatic test water is treated by a system approved through Permit to Install 01-11579 on November 17, 2005. Hydrostatic test water enters a 1500 gallon holding tank with a pump and float switch. The test water is pumped to a vertically oriented particulate bag filter followed by a vertically oriented oil coalesce. The treated water then enters the facility storm sewer and outlets into Dry Run.

How do you determine when the bag filter or oil coalesce needs maintenance or replacement? Is there a log book or record keeping method to show when this is done? Please respond in writing.

Permit

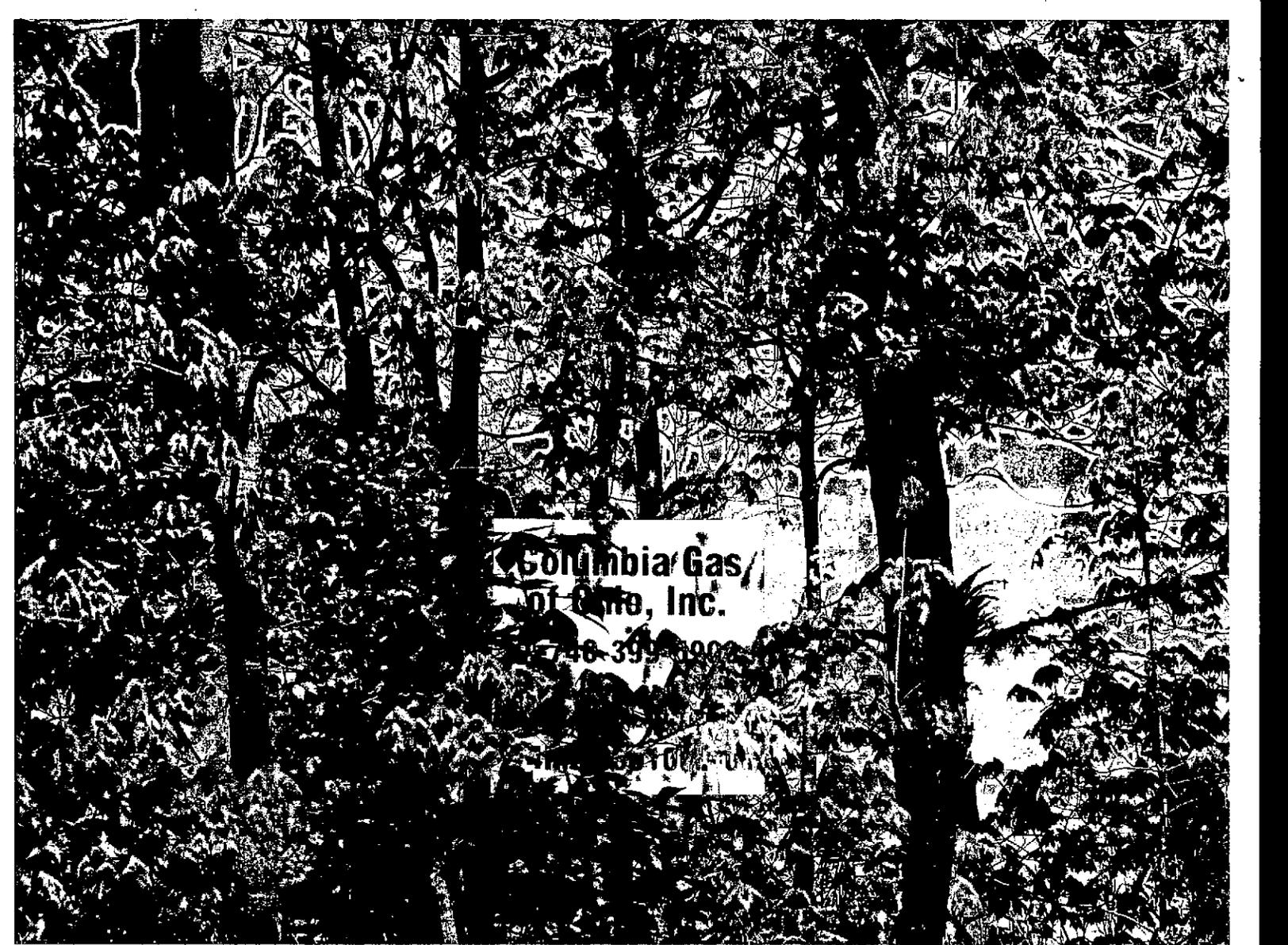
The permit has a requirement that a sign be posted at the outfall. Columbia Gas has done this. Please note though that in the enclosed picture the tree needs a little trimming to make the sign more legible. **Please indicate in writing when this will be done.**

Effluent and Self-Monitoring

Review of monthly self-monitoring reports for the period April 2007 through March 2008 indicated no violations of permit limits.

Flow measurement

Examination of monthly self monitoring reports revealed that flow is measured for the entire month and then a daily average obtained and this is reported every day for that month. Please begin to take a daily 24 hour flow measurement/estimate for the day on which you are taking water samples for the parameters in your permit. If you take a sample for parameters on two days of the month, then take a 24 hour flow measurement for each day that a sample is taken and report that days flow separately. Do not average flows. **Please indicate in writing that you will report a 24 hour daily flow measurement/estimate just for the days which sampling occurs.**



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