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Re: Allen County
Lima Refining Company
Premise # 0302020012
CE Power Boiler CEM
Return to Compliance

August 18, 2008

Mr. Roy Warnock
Vice President and General Manager
Lima Refining Company
1150 South Metcalf Street
Lima, Ohio 45804

Dear Mr. Warnock:

The Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) has reviewed Lima Refining Company's letter received on July 25, 2008, which contained responses to DAPC's June 23, 2008, Notice of Violation (NOV). This NOV was for excessive down time during first quarter 2008 for the nitrogen oxides continuous emission monitor (CEM) on emissions unit B026 – CE Power Boiler.

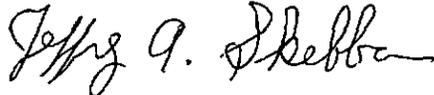
The company's response included an action plan to prevent the reoccurrence of this type of violation. Specifically, the spare parts inventory for this CEM will be upgraded to include critical operating components, including, but not limited to a lamp and selectivity cell. Also, an annual audit will be conducted by the company to ensure that these parts are readily available, and automatic re-ordering of parts will occur when the minimum level of inventory is reached.

Based on the company's response to the NOV, and the action plan provided, we have determined that the compliance plan is acceptable. The actions taken have corrected the violations and this emissions unit is now being operated in compliance with the permit requirements. Please note, however, that this does not preclude the Director from seeking civil penalties pursuant to ORC section 3704.06 for these violations. The decision on whether to pursue or decline to pursue such penalties regarding this matter is dependent on several factors, one of which is the company's future compliance with applicable Ohio EPA requirements.

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Should you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, please feel free to contact me at the above address or call (419) 373-3128.

Sincerely,



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