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Re: Huron County  
Autoplas, Inc.  
Premise # 0339010151  
**Return to Compliance**

August 11, 2008

Mr. Bill Plate, Plant Manager  
Autoplas  
560 Goodrich Road  
Bellevue, OH 44811

Dear Mr. Plate:

The Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) has reviewed Autoplas's letter received on July 17, 2008, which contained responses to DAPC's June 19, 2008, Notice of Violation (NOV). This NOV was for the use of a non-compliant cleanup material and insufficient hazardous air pollutant (HAP) recordkeeping. The company's response included an action plan to prevent the reoccurrence of these types of violations.

Autoplas Inc. has discontinued the use of methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) in its cleanup process to show compliance with the operational restrictions of permit to install (PTI) #03-13652. In addition, the company has implemented a recordkeeping procedure that will calculate the amount of individual and combined HAP emissions. These calculations will be tracked on a 12-month rolling basis to show compliance with PTI #03-13652.

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 these emission units are 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 dependant 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) 373-3110.

Sincerely,



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