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October 8, 2009

RE: VILLAGE OF HOLMESVILLE WWTP  
NPDES #3PB00069  
2009 CEI

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Mayor and Council  
Village of Holmesville  
P.O. Box 113  
Holmesville, OH 44633

Dear Mayor and Council:

A compliance evaluation inspection (CEI) of the Holmesville Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) was conducted by this writer on September 24, 2009. Also present during the inspection were Chris Moody, Ohio EPA, NEDO and Erik Forcell, Agri-Sludge, Inc.

At the time of the inspection, the treatment plant was producing what appeared to be a satisfactory quality effluent. One half of the treatment system was off-line due to the low flows being received at the wastewater treatment plant. The mixed liquor in the aeration tank had a good color and the clarifier effluent was clear. The upward-flow clarifiers and the surface sand filters were in good condition. The plant was producing a clear effluent.

The modified NPDES permit for this facility became effective on September 1, 2009. Part II, A of the permit contains requirements for the Class I operator of record. A review of the wastewater treatment plant operator log book revealed that the operator of record is physically at the WWTP one day per week for a total of one hour. Ohio Administrative Code 3745-7-04 requires that the operator of record must be physically present at the WWTP at least three days per week for a minimum of 1.5 hours. Therefore, you are in violation of your NPDES permit.

Sewage sludge is being brought to this facility from other small wastewater treatment plants and is being stored in the sludge lagoon until it is land applied. Odors from the sludge lagoon were minimal. The final effluent flow meter was calibrated on February 26, 2009.

A review of your discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) covering the period March 2008 through August 2009 revealed the following effluent violations:

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Reporting Period	Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
April 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10	10.12	4/1/2008
April 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	25	4/22/2008
May 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10	10.15	5/1/2008
May 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	18.6	5/22/2008

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact this office at (330) 963-1197.

Sincerely,



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