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Re: Ashland County  
Hospira Inc.  
NPDES Permit

February 21, 2008

Gregory Gerhartz  
Environmental, Health and Safety Manager  
Hospira Inc.  
275 North Field Drive  
Dept. 067C, Bldg. H2-2  
Lake Forest IL, 60045

Dear Mr. Gerhartz,

On February 7, 2008, an inspection was made of the industrial wastewater and stormwater treatment facilities serving the Hospira Inc., Ashland, Ohio facility. You were present as well as Ms. Doreen Park, and Mr. Steve Beckman to provide a tour of the facility and answer any questions. The inspection was conducted in response to the recent end of manufacturing operations at the facility. Hospira has considered demolishing several of the buildings onsite. We discussed the possible effects the demolition might have on current sampling of the stormwater as well as future NPDES permit issues.

The facility's current NPDES permit # 2IN00054 expires on May 31, 2008. It will be necessary for the facility to submit the required NPDES permit renewal application as soon as possible. We also discussed Hospira continuing to sample the stormwater discharge from the facility on a monthly basis regardless of whether an overflow to the storm sewer system occurs. This data will help determine if the source of process related pollutants has been eliminated or if continued monitoring under the NPDES permit will be required for the closed facility.

Hospira has not determined if and when demolition will occur. Proposals have been submitted and a decision is expected within the next few weeks. We request that you notify us when a decision has been made and what course was chosen regarding demolition. If the demolition activities include subsurface removal of concrete or structures including land disturbance of one acre or more it will be necessary to apply for coverage under the NPDES general permit for construction site stormwater discharges.

If you have any questions please call me at 419-373-3070.

Sincerely,

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