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August 7, 2007

RE: ALCO MANUFACTURING CORP.
LORAIN COUNTY
PERMIT NO. 3IS00123

Mr. Matthew J. Basinski
Alco Manufacturing Corp.
10584 Middle Avenue
Elyria, OH 44035

Dear Mr. Basinski:

On July 19, 2007, an inspection of the above referenced facility's wastewater treatment system was conducted. No one was present during the inspection to represent the facility.

During the inspection, the following items were noted:

1. The blowers were running and the plant was receiving good aeration.
2. Both the sludge return line and skimmer return line were functioning properly.
3. The effluent was clear.
4. The treatment system appeared to be underloaded.
5. No scum build-up was present behind the baffle in the settling tank.
6. The weirs and the sidewalls in the settling tank were also free of scum build-up.
7. Both surface sand filter beds had vegetation growing on them. See Figures 1 & 2. The vegetation should be removed and properly disposed.
8. The cap on one of the disinfection units was missing. The cap should be replaced.

This office has recently reviewed your self-monitoring reports covering the period November 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance are as follows:

FREQUENCY VIOLATIONS

Violation Date	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Sample Frequency	Expected	Reported
12/1/2006	001	00010	Water Temperature	1/Week	1	0
12/8/2006	001	00010	Water Temperature	1/Week	1	0
12/22/2006	001	00010	Water Temperature	1/Week	1	0
12/22/2006	001	00083	Color, Severity	1/Week	1	0
12/22/2006	001	01330	Odor, Severity	1/Week	1	0
12/22/2006	001	01350	Turbidity, Severity	1/Week	1	0

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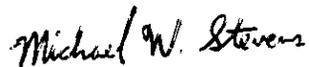
No limit violations were noted for the above time period.

Please be advised that such instances of noncompliance may be cause for enforcement actions pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 6111.

Please notify this office in writing within 14 days receipt of this letter what actions are going to be taken to address items 7 and 8. This letter should include dates either actual or proposed.

Should you have any comments or questions concerning this letter, please feel free to call me at (330) 963-1143.

Respectfully,



Michael W. Stevens
Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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Figure 1

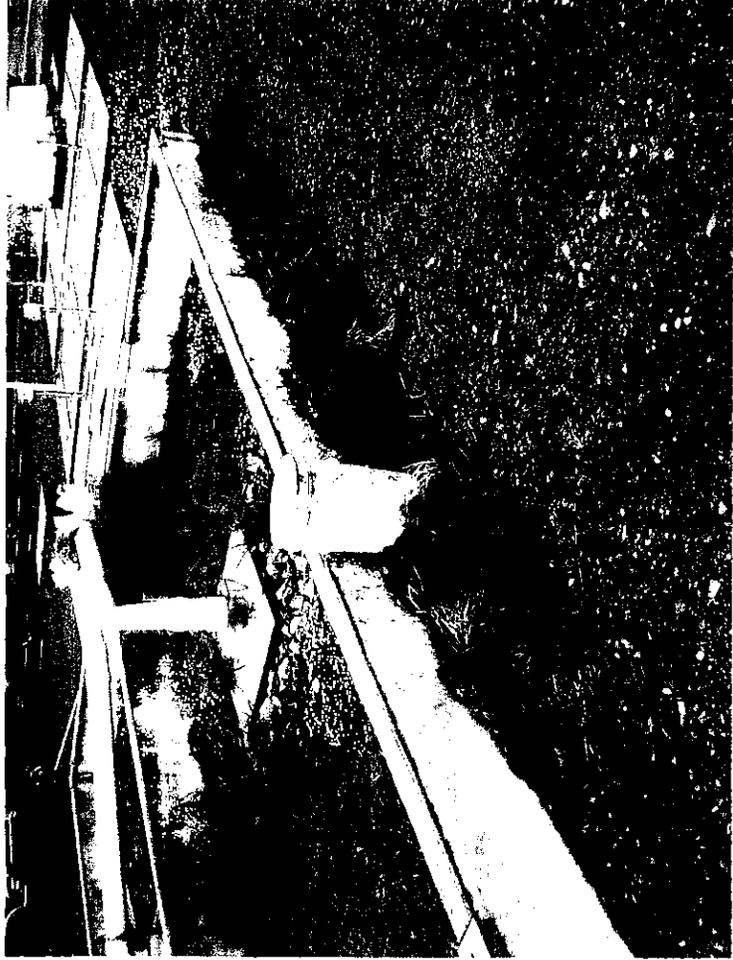


Figure 2