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RE: LAFARGE SHALERVILLE PLANT
9206 PRICE ROAD
PORTAGE COUNTY
PERMIT NO. 3IJ00017

Mr. David Jones
Environmental Manager
LaFarge Shalersville Plant
555 Frost Road Suite 100
Streetsboro, OH 44241

Dear Mr. Jones:

On April 22, 2008, an inspection of the above referenced facility was conducted. The inspection revealed that the plant was closed and was inactive. Due to the inactive status, no one was present at the site to represent the facility. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the operation and maintenance of the settling lagoons and the screening plant wash water operations along with the facility's compliance status with respect to the terms and conditions of the above referenced National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Due to the plant's inactive status no evaluation of the plant's settling lagoons and screening plant wash water operations was made.

A follow-up phone call with you on April 30, 2008, confirmed that the plant was idled and is currently inactive. However, you indicated that you would like to maintain the facility's NPDES permit in the event that the existing reserves are mined in the future.

This office has recently reviewed your self-monitoring reports covering the period April 1, 2006, through March 31, 2008, 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		Sample		
		Code	Parameter	Frequency	Expected	Reported
7/1/2006	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/1/2006	001	50050	Flow Rate	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	001	50050	Flow Rate	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	001	00400	pH	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/1/2006	002	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	002	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/1/2006	002	50050	Flow Rate	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	002	50050	Flow Rate	1/2Weeks	1	0
7/15/2006	002	00400	pH	1/2Weeks	1	0

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These frequency violations are the result of incorrectly using reporting code "AC" for the July 2006 discharge monitoring report. When no discharge occurs during the entire month, report "AL" in the first column of the first day of the month on the discharge monitoring report. In order to eliminate these violations from Ohio EPA's database, the discharge monitoring report can be resubmitted for July 2006 using reporting code "AL".

Please note that Ohio EPA has converted from the existing **SWIMware** software to a Web-based reporting system, **e-DMR**. The new reporting system is entirely Web based and accessible via any Internet connection. Ohio EPA Form 4500, commonly known as MORs, will now be called Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs or e-DMRs). User training is going to be available in May and October of this year. Please consult the following Web site for updates regarding the specific date:

<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/swims/eDMR/eDMRtraining.html>

If you need additional information pertaining to the SWIMware replacement e-DMR, consult the following Web site.

<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/swims/eDMR/eDMR.html>

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

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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