

March 12, 2009

Re: Preferred Rubber Compounding
3IR00023*GD
Summit County

Don Burkholder
Plant Manager
Preferred Rubber Compounding Corp.
1020 Lambert Street
Barberton, Ohio 44203

Dear Mr. Burkholder:

On March 6, 2009 this writer conducted an inspection of your facility for the purpose of determining compliance with the above referenced NPDES permit. You were not available. Mr. Jeff Bartell accompanied me during the inspection of your outfall. At the time of the inspection the discharge from outfall 001 was flowing clear to Mud Run. There were no obvious problems.

A review of your self monitoring reports for the time period of October 2007 thru January 2009 indicates the following violations:

Numeric Violations

Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
001	Water Temperature	30D Conc	68	68.5	11/1/2008
001	Water Temperature	30D Conc	68	69.5	11/1/2007

Frequency violations

Station	Parameter	Sample Frequency	Expected	Reported	Violation Date
001	Flow Rate	1/2Weeks	1	0	07/15/2008
001	pH	1/2Weeks	1	0	07/15/2008
001	Water Temperature	1/2Weeks	1	0	07/15/2008

If you should have any questions concerning the inspection or the sampling frequency, feel free to contact this writer at (330) 963-1136.

Sincerely,

Philip P. Rhodes, P.E.
Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water