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**Re: 2006 Hazardous Waste Annual Report Requirement
NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES - OHR000124156**

Dear MICHAEL REISER:

My review of customer data from Ohio Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities (TSDFs) has revealed that one or more shipments of hazardous waste were received from NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES during the 2006 calendar year. The total amount reported indicates that NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES was a large quantity generator in 2006. Since I have not received a Hazardous Waste Annual Report for 2006, NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES may be in violation of Rule 3745-52-41 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Please see the enclosed printout detailing the hazardous wastes received from NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES during 2006.

A large quantity generator is defined as a site which generates in any single month more than 1000 kg (2200 lbs) of non-acute hazardous waste or more than 1 kg (2.2 lb) of acutely hazardous waste. This includes wastes from one-time generation as well as wastes from ongoing production processes. It may take only one month of generating above the threshold quantity to subject a site to the Annual Report requirement. The generator is responsible for contacting Ohio EPA in order to obtain the reporting forms.

OAC Rule 3745-52-41 requires a generator who ships any hazardous waste off-site to prepare and submit to the Ohio EPA an **Annual Hazardous Waste Report** and to describe and certify efforts that were made to minimize hazardous wastes. These reports are due March 1 of each year and contain information about the activities of the previous calendar year. Only small quantity generators (between 220 and 2200 lb/mo of non-acutely hazardous wastes) and conditionally exempt small quantity generators (less than 220 lb/mo of non-acutely hazardous wastes) are exempt from the Annual Report requirement as described in OAC Rule 3745-52-44.

To abate the violation of OAC Rule 3745-52-41, NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES must complete and submit to Ohio EPA a 2006 Annual Hazardous Waste Report within 30 days of receipt of this letter. Failure to respond to this Notice of Violation may result in referral to the Compliance Assurance Section for consideration of escalated enforcement. You may access the reporting forms and instructions on our website at http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm/ann_report.html.

NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES should have on file the manifest records necessary for completion of the reports. OAC Rule 3745-52-40 requires generators to keep a signed copy of each manifest for a period of at least three years from the date the waste was accepted by the initial transporter. Receiving facilities and transporters are under a similar requirement; if you need copies of the original manifest(s), contact them for assistance.

If NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES was not a large quantity generator in 2006, documentation must be submitted to this office within 30 days of receipt of this letter. This documentation must show that NORTHEAST STEAM INDUSTRIES did not generate more than the threshold quantity of hazardous waste in any month during 2006. If you believe that the information supplied by Ohio TSDFs is in error, please call me to discuss the discrepancy.

A letter that acknowledges receipt of the report will be sent to you after it is processed. I can answer questions concerning the Annual Report at (614) 644-2923. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,



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NOTICE:

Ohio EPA's failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this letter does not relieve your company from having to comply with all applicable regulations.