



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor  
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor  
Scott J. Nally, Director

Re: Paulding County  
Village of Cecil  
NPDES Permit

March 30, 2011

Mayor and Council  
Village of Cecil  
P. O. Box 164  
Cecil, Ohio 45821

Dear Mayor and Council:

On March 24, 2011, I conducted an inspection of the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) serving the village of Cecil. At the time of inspection, Ms. Kasey Carlisle, of Industrial Fluid Management, the operator of the WWTP, was present and provided information regarding the WWTP.

The WWTP consists of a raw influent pump station, two SBR tanks, a chlorination tank, and a de-chlorination tank. It was indicated that only one SBR unit is used. Post aeration is added to the de-chlorination tank before overflowing into the unnamed tributary to Maumee River.

It was noted that the automatic sampler was not used for sampling and it was indicated that only grab samples are collected for the required monitoring outlined in the Village's NPDES permit. Please note that the permit requires composite samples be collected for certain parameters. Multiple grab samples may be used to form a composite if an automatic sampler is not used.

It was also indicated that a plant bypass occurred due to the recent ice storm in early March. The storm caused a raw sewage pump failure resulting in sewage overflow and migration into the waterways.

Our records indicate that the WWTP discharge is continuously in violation of the NPDES permit discharge limitations for different parameters indicating incapability of the system to properly treat the wastewater. Also, a compliance schedule in the current NPDES permit required the village to evaluate the sanitary sewer system and WWTP and make the appropriate improvements. The milestone dates have not been met. Please inform this office no later than May 1, 2011, as to the actions to be taken to bring the village into compliance with the terms of the NPDES permit.

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As of the date of this letter, our office has not received a renewal application for the NPDES permit which will expire on July 31, 2011. Please note that the regulations require the submittal of a renewal application no later than six (6) months prior to the expiration date of the permit. Please submit the renewal application as soon as possible.

Keep in mind that failure to comply with the terms & conditions of the NPDES permit may result in escalated enforcement action by our office.

If you have any questions or wish to meet with us, please contact me at [naajy.abdullah@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:naajy.abdullah@epa.state.oh.us) or (419) 373-3017.

Sincerely,



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