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May 12, 2010

RE: CUYAHOGA COUNTY
CUYAHOGA RIVER BASIN
CITY OF CLEVELAND MS4 PROGRAM
NOTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL ILLICIT
DISCHARGE J & E AUTO REPAIR

Commissioner Ollie Shaw
City of Cleveland Division of Water Pollution Control
12302 Kirby Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44108

Dear Commissioner Shaw:

On May 10, 2010, Ohio EPA received an anonymous complaint alleging an illicit discharge to the City of Cleveland municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). The complainant stated that the owner and employees of J & E Auto Repair (aka Earl's Automotive Repair) release automotive fluids to floor drains located inside the facility. The complainant states that the floor drains are connected to storm sewers. In addition, the complainant indicates that there is appreciable oil staining on the ground outside the facility. The facility is located at 5185 Fowler Ave, Cleveland, Ohio 44127.

This letter will serve to notify you of the potential existence of an illicit discharge to the City of Cleveland MS4. In accordance with the requirements of the Ohio EPA General Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Small MS4s #3GQ000012*BG, please conduct an illicit discharge investigation to determine if this complaint is valid and, if so, take all measures necessary to eliminate its discharge to the MS4. Please provide me with a letter of response summarizing the findings of your investigation and the actions you have or will take to prevent this discharge from occurring in the future.

I am also providing a copy of this complaint to the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District in the event that the alleged illicit discharge is to a combined sewer system rather than the MS4.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (330) 963-1145.

Sincerely,

Dan Bogoevski
District Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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