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VAN WERT BLUE CREEK WIND FARM

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**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
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Re: Van Wert County
Blue Creek Wind Farm
Construction Storm Water

September 1, 2011

Mr. Dave DeCaro
Heartland Wind LLC
201 King of Prussia Road Suite 500
Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087

Dear Mr. DeCaro:

On August 23, 2011, I was in the vicinity of the Blue Creek Wind Farm project that is owned by Heartland Wind LLC. While there, I evaluated compliance of the site with your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for storm water associated with construction activity (construction general permit or CGP), Facility ID No. 2GC02656*AG. The observations are conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111.

Not all, but several turbine locations were observed at random. It appeared that the construction portion of this project is ongoing with turbines in various states of construction. Since the following observations were made at random sites, specific locations are not always noted.

- Some sites had dirt piles that were not stabilized. Part III.G.2.b. requires temporary stabilization on all disturbed areas that are dormant for over 21 days.
- Some ditch banks were bare and not stabilized. Part III.G.2.b. requires that areas within 50 feet of a surface water of the State receive permanent stabilization within two days of reaching final grade. I did observe crews putting down mats along Feasby Wisener Road.
- Road turns observed were well graveled.
- There was no or an inadequate construction entrance to the east of site T-52.
- East of the intersection of Dutch John and Elm Sugar Roads, silt fence was installed next to power poles along the roadside ditch.
- On the SW corner of County Road 107 and Township Road 24, there were dirt piles next to culverts.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (419) 373-3016 or by e-mail at patricia.tebbe@epa.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Tebbe, P.E.
Division of Surface Water

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