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Semi  
Geauga  
Claridon  
Claridon Plaza*

August 23, 2007

RE: GEAUGA COUNTY  
CLARIDON PLAZA  
NPDES PERMIT COMPLIANCE INSPECTION  
PERMIT #3PR00295\*AD

Mr. Peter Mowad  
1042 Main Street  
Aliquippa, PA 15001

Dear Mr. Mowad:

On August 16, 2007, I conducted an inspection of the referenced wastewater treatment and disposal system. The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued to you under the Federal Clean Water Act, and to prepare to renew that permit. This report discusses current NPDES permit compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act and Ohio Revised Code 6111.

A potential safety hazard exists at this site in that the mechanical wastewater treatment plant is located adjacent to the daycare play ground with an unlocked gate and the grates over the tanks unsecured. The unsanitary surface sand filters are open. If a child gets out of the playground through the unsecured gate, they may fall into a tank or play in the sand. You should place a fence or a building around the wastewater treatment plant to secure it from general access.

This plant showed signs of inattention to operation and maintenance and housekeeping. Weeds have overgrown the site, tank grates were not secured, the clarifiers were covered with scum, and the distribution box for the surface sand filters was leaking. These deficiencies must be corrected. Blowers were operating, and the aeration tanks were a tan color with an aerobic odor.

Please contact me directly at (330) 963-1260 to discuss any comments or questions you may have regarding this inspection.

Sincerely,

Douglas Hiestand  
Environmental Engineer  
Division of Surface Water

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File: Semi/Geauga/Newbury/Ricca Building