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May 20, 2009

**RE: HOLMES COUNTY
RIPLEY TOWNSHIP
PRAIRIE HOUSE APARTMENTS
NPDES 3PW00035**

Chris Steiner
P.O. Box 312
Shreve, OH 44676

Dear Mr. Steiner:

On May 19, 2009, this office conducted a compliance evaluation inspection of the wastewater treatment plant serving the above referenced facility. Present during the inspection were this writer and Kraig Bucklew of the Holmes County Health Department.

At the time of the inspection, the mixed liquor in the aeration tank had a light brown color and the contents of the clarifier were turbid. One dosing pump was not operable. The distribution box preceding the surface sand has deteriorated and must be repaired.

A review of your self monitoring reports covering the period April 2008 through April 2009, revealed the following effluent violations:

Reporting Period	Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
December 2008	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	15.	12/1/2008
December 2008	001	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18	19.	12/1/2008
December 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10	19.5	12/1/2008
December 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	22.	12/1/2008
December 2008	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	17.	12/15/2008
March 2009	001	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	15.	3/1/2009
March 2009	001	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	3.0	19.	3/1/2009
March 2009	001	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	4.5	19.	3/1/2009
March 2009	001	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10	44.	3/1/2009
March 2009	001	CBOD 5 day	7D Conc	15	44.	3/1/2009

The NPDES permit for this facility became effective on September 1, 2005. The Schedule of Compliance in the permit requires upgrades to your treatment system. Detail plans of the upgrades were to be submitted to this office by January 1, 2006. To date, these plans have not been received. The upgrades are to be completed by September 1, 2006. Therefore, you are in noncompliance with your NPDES permit.

You are directed to immediately obtain the services of a Professional Engineer to submit a Permit to Install application to this office for the upgrades required by the NPDES permit.

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Should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact this office at (330) 963-1197.

Sincerely,

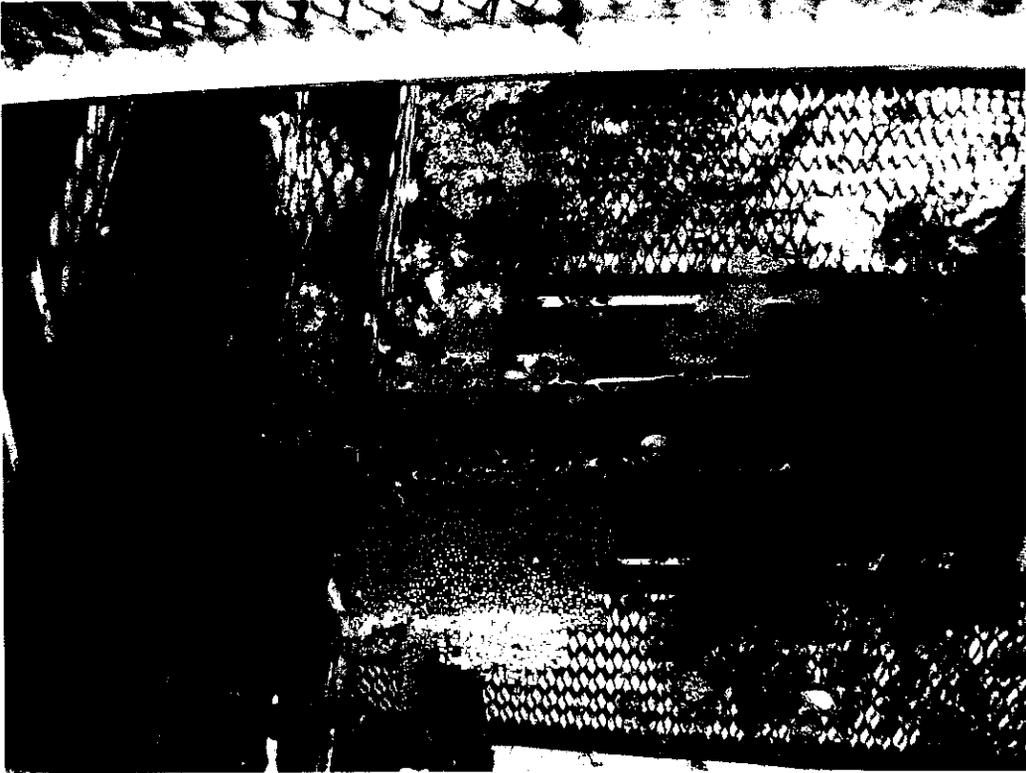
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean Stoll". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dean W. Stoll, P.E.
Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

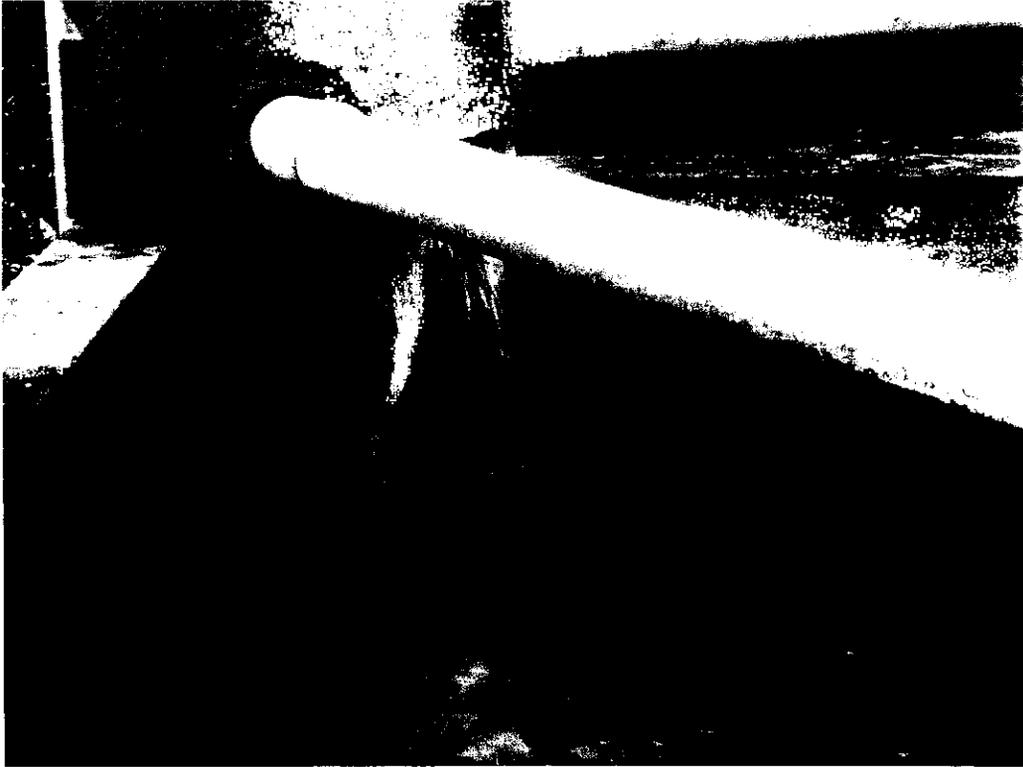
pc: Holmes County Health Department, Attn: Kraig Bucklew
Kevin Dean 16387A TR 454 Loudonville, OH 44842

File: Semi-Public/Prairie House Apartments



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Sand filter distribution box