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August 16, 2007

RE: LAKE COUNTY
CONCORD TOWNSHIP
CONCORD TAVERN
NPDES PERMIT NO. 3PR00383
APPLICATION NO. OH0134759

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Mr. Tom Salagoviv
Concord Tavern
7593 Auburn Road
Concord Twp., OH 44077

Dear Mr. Salagoviv:

On August 13, 2007, an operation and maintenance inspection of the sewage treatment plant serving the tavern was conducted by this writer and Terry Kent, R.S. of the Lake County General Health District. The existing treatment plant consists of an extended aeration plant with tertiary treatment and disinfection facilities.

At the time of inspection the plant was producing an unsatisfactory effluent. The following observations were noted:

- The aeration tank content was not being aerated. Although the blower was running, the blower was providing no oxygen to the aeration tank. The mixed liquor was clear and contained little, if any, solids. Movement in the aeration tank was from the entrance of the return sludge line content into the aeration tank. The return sludge line was clear and contained no activated sludge. The blower must be checked to ensure it is operating satisfactorily. The air lines and diffusers must be checked for blockage and failure.
- The settling tank content was very turbid. There was no evidence of sludge being settled.
- The north filter bed contained an excessive amount of vegetation that needs removal. The sand in the filter beds was not distributed evenly across the beds, as required. Each filter bed must contain 18 inches of Ohio EPA approved filter sand. Approved filter sand consists of clean and washed sand with an effective size between 0.4 and 1.0 mm and a uniformity coefficient not greater than 3.0. The filter sand must be raked with an even distribution across the surface area of the filter bed. The filter beds must be routinely switched to maximize the performance of the filter beds.
- The chlorinator contained no chlorine tablets, as required during the period of May 1st through October 31st.
- No dechlorination facilities have been installed at the plant.

These items must be corrected immediately.

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A review of the monthly operating reports for Outfall 001 covering the period of February 2007 through June 2007 revealed no effluent limitation violations.

Also, as stated in letters from this office dated 3/20/07, 5/1/06, 1/5/06, 9/20/05, 7/14/05, 5/25/05 and 11/16/04, this office has repeatedly requested that you connect the building into the sanitary sewer that is currently located in front of your building on Auburn Road, and abandon and demolish the wastewater treatment plant. Pursuant to Part III, Item 32 of your existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, you are required to connect to a public treatment works when one becomes accessible and available. Also, Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-33-08 requires the connection to public sanitary sewers when they become available and accessible. You are currently in violation of your existing NPDES permit and in violation of OAC 3745-33-08.

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations, failure to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements, or failure to satisfy the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111 and OAC 3745-33-08. The violations of the revised code and administrative code may result in enforcement action with a monetary penalty.

Within 10 days of the date of this letter, you are directed to notify this office, in writing, outlining the corrective action, either actual or proposed, that will be taken to eliminate the above highlighted deficiencies. A schedule of compliance with the anticipated dates for connection to public sanitary sewers and the demolition of the wastewater treatment plant must be included.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (330) 963-1183.

Sincerely,



Marie Underwood, P.E.
Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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cc: Terry Kent, R.S., Lake County General Health District
Robert Leach, Clean Stream, Inc.