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March 26, 2010

RE: LAKE COUNTY  
KIRTLAND  
JUST ONE MORE TAVERN  
NPDES PERMIT NO. 3PR00150  
APPLICATION NO. OH0103055

Mr. Michael Albino  
10010 Sherman Road  
Chesterland, Ohio 44026

Dear Mr. Albino:

On March 18, 2010, this writer conducted a compliance evaluation inspection of the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) that serves the complex. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the WWTP's operation and maintenance condition, and to evaluate the facility's compliance with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit effluent limits.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant Observations**

At the time of the inspection, operation and maintenance of the plant was unsatisfactory. The effluent was of a poor visual quality. The following comments are provided:

- The aeration plant is septic and odorous. The mixed liquor was black. The plant needs to be reseeded. Also, the sludge return line connection into aeration tank is not sealed and is leaking sludge onto the ground. A flexible gasket should be installed in order to stop the leakage.
- The south filter bed was ponded sludge. Debris was also on the surface of the bed. When the filter bed drains and the sludge dries, the sludge, debris, vegetation and any sludge laden filter sand must be removed from the filter bed and disposed in a public landfill. Assurance must be made that 18 inches of Ohio EPA approved sand exists on the filter bed. Ohio EPA approved filter sand has an effective size of 0.4 to 1.0 mm and a uniformity coefficient not greater than 3.0. The sand must be raked and evenly distributed across the filter bed surface.
- Sludge was evident in the chlorine contact chamber. The sludge must be removed immediately.
- Disinfection season is May 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Chlorine tablets must be kept in the chlorinator during this period.
- This plant does not have a dechlorinator to reduce the chlorine residual. A dechlorinator must be installed.

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*The above referenced deficiencies must be corrected immediately.*

### **NPDES Permit Requirements**

A review of our records reveals that you have not submitted Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) since the effective date of the NPDES permit, June 1, 2007. Each month, DMRs must be submitted to the Central Office of Ohio EPA. Your NPDES permit requires monitoring and/or analytical testing for Odor, Color, Turbidity, Total Suspended Solids, CBOD-5day, Dissolved Oxygen, Fecal Coliform, Chlorine Residual and Ammonia Nitrogen. Please refer to Table I of the NPDES permit for specific information. You must obtain the services of a laboratory familiar with the requirements for wastewater treatment plant analyses. **This agency requires you to immediately commence submitting DMRs as required by your NPDES permit**

***Be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations or to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111. Enforcement action may include a monetary penalty.***

In striving to improve and update resource management, the Division of Surface Water has implemented a new electronic monthly data reporting system called eDMR or Electronic Discharge Monitoring Report System. eDMR is entirely on the internet. It contains many of the Division of Surface Water's permit applications and reporting forms (i.e. discharge monitoring reports) and provides users with the ability to submit information electronically to meet their permitting and reporting obligations. Please contact Mr. James Robert via e-mail at [James.Robert@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:James.Robert@epa.state.oh.us) or by telephone at (614) 644-2054 for additional information.

You submitted an NPDES Permit Modification Application Form in order to change the classification of the wastewater treatment plant from a Class I plant to a Class A plant. The modification request is being processed. You will receive a copy of the modified permit in the near future.

Also, pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code 3745-7-09, effective December 21, 2006, this agency requires the owner and operator of record of a wastewater treatment plant to maintain operation and maintenance records for the wastewater treatment plant. The records shall be housed onsite and shall be accessible for twenty-four hour inspection. Please inform this office of the proposed location for the operation and maintenance records. The following information must be recorded and kept onsite:

1. Identification of the sewage treatment works;
2. Date and times of arrival and departure for the operator of record and any other operator required by this chapter;

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3. Specific operation and maintenance activities that affect or have the potential to affect the quality or quantity of sewage conveyed or effluent produced;
4. Results of tests performed and samples taken, unless documented on a laboratory sheet;
5. Performance of preventative maintenance and repairs or requests for repair of the equipment that affect or have the potential to affect the quality or quantity of sewage conveyed, effluent produced; and
6. Identification of the persons making entries.

This office has been notified that the Lake County Board of Commissioners had adopted on March 31, 2009, a resolution authorizing the advertising of bids for the construction of the gravity sewer, force main and pump stations along State Route 306 that will discharge to the Gary L. Kron Water Reclamation Facility. Once the sewer is constructed this office will require the abandonment of the wastewater treatment plant that serves Just One More Tavern. Once the plant is connected to the operating public sewer and the package plant is demolished, the NPDES permit for the facility will be revoked.

**Actions to be Taken by Permittee**

***You are directed to notify this office, in writing, within 10 days of the date of this letter, outlining the corrective action that will be taken to eliminate the above highlighted deficiencies.***

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, do not hesitate to contact this writer at (330) 963-1183.

Sincerely,



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Environmental Engineer  
Division of Surface Water

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cc: Terry Kent, R.S., Lake County General Health District