



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

Ted Strickland, Governor
Lee Fisher, Lt. Governor
Chris Korleski, Director

Re: Richland County
Village of Plymouth WWTP
NPDES Permit

July 26, 2010

Mr. Bill Sexton, Administrator
Village of Plymouth
48 West Broadway
Plymouth, Ohio 44865

Dear Mr. Sexton:

On July 8, 2010, an inspection was made of the Village of Plymouth wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). All flow is being treated by the western lagoon only. This lagoon appeared very green with heavy algae growth. The discharge from the lagoon had a dark green color. The construction of the new treatment plant is progressing. Both of the SBR tanks have been completed and work was currently taking place on the sludge holding lagoons.

A review of the discharge monitoring reports submitted to our office for October 2009, through May 2010, revealed numerous **violations** of the limits contained in your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The Village is currently progressing with construction of a new WWTP which should help prevent violations from occurring.

On December 4, 2009, our office received a response from you regarding the Willow Drive combined sewer area and the overflowing manhole at the end of Lofland Street. You stated that the lines in the area of Lofland Street were inspected with a camera and jetted, and that no major problems were discovered. This manhole should continue to be monitored, and should *further overflows occur, additional investigation will be necessary.* The Willow Drive combined area includes 13 houses and six (6) catch basins. The Village should separate the stormwater and sanitary flows in this area. The excessive stormwater flows received at the treatment plant are only made worse by this area. The Village should begin working toward a separation of this area immediately.

If you have any questions please call me at 419-373-3070.

Sincerely,

Walter Ariss
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