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Re: Richland County  
Tube City  
NPDES Permit #2IN00076

December 2, 2009

Mr. Charles Ochola  
Tube City IMS  
1155 Business Center Drive  
Horsham, Pennsylvania 19044-3454

Dear Mr. Ochola:

On November 19, 2009, an inspection was made of the Tube City scrap metal facility located at 1344 Bowman Street, Mansfield, Richland County. The inspection was conducted as part of the renewal process for the facility's NPDES permit # 2IN00076. Mr. Tim Carmack and you were present during the inspection to provide a tour and answer any questions.

During the inspection we reviewed the facility's stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWP3). A few recommendations were made concerning the content of the plan. A site map indicating the location of the above ground storage tanks and other material areas should be included in the SWP3. The lime loading and unloading areas should be included on the monthly visual inspection forms.

Following the review of the SWPPP we took a tour of the site. We observed the onsite settling pond and its discharge. It was noted that a small swale near where the railroad tracks enter the property on the eastern edge of the site did not flow through the settling pond and instead discharged directly to the ditch. The swale should be diverted to flow into the settling pond. We also discussed the need for the swale that runs past the lime storage area to be diverted to flow through the pond. This particular swale receives an extremely high sediment load that causes the culverts to fill with sediment and back up the drainage from the site. If this drainage were directed through the settling pond the sediment would fall out in the pond and not in the bottom of the culverts in the swale. This would greatly reduce the maintenance time required to keep the swale clean and flowing.

A review of the discharge monitoring reports submitted to our office for April 2008, through September 2009, revealed one violation of the limits contained in your NPDES permit during this period. This violation was for exceeding the oil and grease limit in May 2009.

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Our office has completed drafting your renewal NPDES permit. Please be sure to review the draft permit which will be sent to your company, and contact our office with any questions or comments.

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

Sincerely,



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Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

pc: DSW-NWDO File  
Tim Carmack, General Manager, Tube City IMS