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RE: LORAIN COUNTY
COLUMBIA TWP.
THE ACTIVITY CENTER
(11300 ROOT RD.)
(PERMIT NO. 3PR00487)

PNL Holdings
Attn: Don Porter
30628 Detroit Rd., # 299
Westlake, OH 44145

Dear Mr. Porter:

On July 22, 2009, a compliance inspection was conducted on the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) serving The Activity Center, located at 11300 Root Road, Columbia Township, Lorain County. The inspection was conducted by this writer, and Mr. John Sabo of the Lorain County Health Department.

The purpose of the July 22 inspection was to evaluate the WWTP's operation and maintenance condition, and its compliance with NPDES Permit to discharge terms and conditions

At the time of the inspection, the following observations were made:

- 1) The trash trap contents were typical, with a slight floating scum present on the surface of the contents.
- 2) The flow equalization tank was in use and being aerated. Pumps in the flow equalization tank were operational when tested.
- 3) The aeration tank was not being aerated at the time of the inspection. However, the contents of the aeration tank were light brown in color, indicating the tank is being aerated regularly. It is assumed the aeration tankblowers are on a timer.
- 4) The return sludge and skimmer lines were not operating, and would not be unless the blowers were operating.
- 5) Contents of the settling tank were typical. The effluent trough in the settling tank was clean and free of solids.
- 6) The dosing station electrical panel was locked with combination locks, and pumps were not able to be tested.
- 7) The west cell of the surface sand filters was in use, and contained a small amount of vegetative growth. The east cell was not in use at the time of the inspection, and also contained a slight amount of vegetative growth.

- 8) Disinfection of the effluent is being performed utilizing an Ultra Violet disinfection unit, which was operating.

The NPDES Permit to discharge for The Activity Center was effective on August 1, 2008. A review of the WWTP operating data for the period of August 1, 2008 through July 1, 2009, was conducted prior to the inspection. The electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) data for that period found no monthly reports were submitted for the WWTP for the months of August 2008 through April 2009. Monthly reports were submitted for May 2009, and June 2009, but contained no analytical data for the required quarterly testing for CBOD, Suspended Solids, Ammonia, Dissolved Oxygen, Fecal Coliform, and pH.

Please be advised that non reporting of required parameters is a violation of the NPDES Permit terms and conditions, and is subject to legal enforcement action.

Please inform this office in writing, within 7 days of the receipt of this correspondence, as to the reasons why the required monitoring and reporting are not being conducted. Also, please indicate the name of the required Class I Licensed operator responsible for the WWTP operation and maintenance, and the reason why the required monthly reports are not being submitted

Failure to respond to either of these requirements in a timely manner may also be cause to initiate enforcement action by this Agency.

Proper operation and maintenance practices should continue to be implemented, which will enable the WWTP to continuously meet its NPDES Permit effluent limits.

If there are questions or comments regarding the contents of this letter, please contact this office.

Respectfully,



Charles E. Allen
Environmental Engineer
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pc: Lorain County Health Department
Attn: John Sabo

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