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May 19, 2009

RE: SUMMIT COUNTY
COPLEY TWP.
MARTIN HOUSE APARTMENTS
OHIO EPA PERMIT NO. 3PW00008
COMPLIANCE EVALUATION INSPECTION

Mr. Ronald M. Martin
c/o Martin House Apartments
Law Offices-Valley Office Park
1615 Akron Peninsula Road
Akron, OH 44313

Dear Mr. Martin:

On May 12, 2009, a pre-permit inspection was conducted at the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) serving Martin House Apartments. The 25,000 gpd extended aeration treatment plant consists of an influent pump station, extended aeration, clarifier, dosing, surface sand filters, chlorination/dechlorination, and aerated sludge holding. The plant discharges to a drainage ditch tributary to Pigeon Creek.

During the inspection, the WWTP was in fair operation and maintenance condition. The following observations and deficiencies were noted:

- It appeared the aeration tank, which was leaking during the October 22, 2008 inspection, had been patched. According to your technical operator's November 2008 letter about the WWTP, it appears there may be other holes which need repaired also. Please repair all holes as soon as possible.
- It is recommended your technical operator continue to address the reasons for the past dissolved oxygen violations.
- There remains to be badly rusted and missing grating over the wastewater treatment plant. As this presents a major safety hazard for yourself, your technical operator, and others which may enter the plant grounds, it is directed all grating be replaced as soon as possible. In the meantime, it is recommended you continue to keep the fence, which encloses the plant, locked. As your operator had suggested, you may also want to post warning signs for people to keep out of the plant grounds.

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- As was mentioned in the previous inspection, the sand filter's distribution arms should reach to the center of each sand filter section, allowing more even effluent distribution.

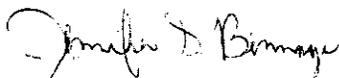
Upon review of the electronic Discharge Monitoring Reports (eDMR's) submitted for the plant from October 2008 through April 2009, it appears that no values had been reported for pH and Dissolved Oxygen.

Please be advised such instances of noncompliance are subject to enforcement pursuant to ORC 6111.

The Public Notice of your draft renewal NPDES permit will be public noticed. Please note that your NPDES permit will again contain a compliance schedule for installing concrete splash pads and distribution arms in the sand filter, repairing remaining holes in tanks, improving blower performance, and replacing grating over the tanks. No PTI is need for such repairs. All repairs will be required to be completed within six months of the effective date of the renewed permit.

Once Central Office sends you the draft NPDES permit, please read it carefully. If you have any comments or questions, please contact this office at (330) 963-1151.

Sincerely,



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