



**Environmental
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Ohio Department of
Natural Resources
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August 26, 2011

RE: SUMMIT COUNTY
COPLEY TWP.
MARTIN HOUSE APARTMENTS
2113 COPLEY ROAD
OHIO EPA PERMIT NO. 3PW00008
COMPLIANCE EVALUATION INSPECTION

Mr. Eric D. Zimmerman, Vice President
Ag Real Estate Group, Inc.
c/o Martin House Apartments
3659 South Green Rd., Suite 100
Beachwood, OH 44122

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

On August 11, 2011, this office re-inspected the wastewater treatment plant serving Martin House Apartments. Present during the inspection were you and Mr. Paul Header, plant operator. This follow-up inspection was conducted upon receiving a letter from Paul Header in which he explained the repairs he was completing at the plant (see attachment).

During the follow-up inspection, the treatment plant appeared to be in better operation and maintenance condition. The following deficiencies were still noted:

- 1) The mixed liquor in the aeration tank still appeared too dark in color. It is recommended solids be wasted from the system.
- 2) The skimmer in the clarifier was not being used. The skimmer shall be put back into operation. Both the skimmer and sludge returns should be used at all times.
- 3) The surface sand filters need additional sand with the appropriate Ohio EPA approved specifications. Also, holes in the sand filter walls need to be patched.
- 4) The disinfection tank manhole lid was not sitting properly, presenting a possible safety hazard.
- 5) Proper grating shall be placed over the disinfection tank.

Via a phone conversation with you last week, it's understood that you are already working on completing the above mentioned items of deficiency.

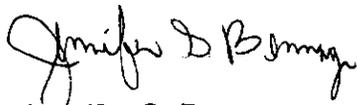
In the previous inspection letter sent by this office, it was noted that the facility had numerous monitoring frequency violations. At a closer look, it appears most of the violations were instances in which a parameter was to be sampled once per week. In Part III of Martin House's NPDES permit, a week is defined as: "Week 1 is Days 1-7 of

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the month; Week 2 is Days 8-14; Week 3 is Days 15-21; and Week 4 is Days 22-28". Although the wastewater operator may have been sampling the parameter 4 times per month, our computer database flags a monitoring violation if the sampling doesn't match up with the permit's definition of weekly. In the future, the wastewater treatment plant operator should try his best to take the weekly samples as specified in the NPDES permit.

In conclusion, although some of the plant repairs appear to be short-term fixes (i.e. using foam to close up holes in concrete tanks etc.), the plant appears to be in better operation and maintenance condition. Please contact this office for a follow-up inspection once all of the remaining deficiency items have been completed. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (330) 963-1151.

Sincerely,



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Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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cc: Paul Header, Header Maintenance
Sue Schultz, Copley Twp. Zoning
Summit Co. Health Dept.