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June 30, 2008

Re: Belmont County
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
Notice of Violation
0IL00091*GD
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Ryan Murray
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
43521 Mayhugh Hill Road
Beallsville, Ohio 43716

Dear Mr. Murray:

We have received your self-monitoring reports covering the months of September 2007 through May 2008 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance and/or deficiencies are as follows:

Outfall	Parameter	Type	Limit	Units	Reported	Date
October 2007:						
017	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	mg/L	6	4	10/29/2007
November 2007:						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	mg/L	3.0	3.6	11/1/2007
017	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	mg/L	10	10.3	11/1/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	mg/L	4.0	10.0	11/21/2007
017	CBOD 5 day	1D Conc	mg/L	15	29	11/21/2007
February 2008:						
015	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	ug/L	2000	2050	2/1/2008
May 2008:						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	mg/L	1.0	1.48	5/1/2008
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	mg/L	1.5	2.7	5/21/2008
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	Kg/day	0.06	0.072	5/21/2008

NOTES:

1D Conc = Daily Average Concentration Value
1D Qty = Daily Average Loading Value
7D Conc = Weekly Average Concentration Value
30D Conc = Monthly Average Concentration Value
7D Qty = Weekly Average Loading Value
30D Qty = Monthly Average Loading Value

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations or to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.

Failure to report violations of the effluent limitations is also a violation of your NPDES permit. Please review Part 3 of the NPDES permit for reporting requirements.

Please inform this office, in writing, within ten days of receipt of this notification as to the reasons for the above referenced violations, as well as a description of the actions taken or proposed to prevent any further violations. Your response should include dates, either actual or proposed, for completion of the actions.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5284.

Sincerely,

Ms. Abbot Stevenson
Environmental Engineer
Permits and Enforcement Section
Division of Surface Water

AS/mlm

c: Fred Blumling, American Energy Corp.
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