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October 1, 2009

Re: Tuscarawas County
Oxford Mining Company
Notice of Violation
OIL00102, OH0076970
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Ralph King, Permit Coordinator
Holmes Limestone Company
Strasburg Coal Prep Plant
P.O. Box 135
Strasburg, Ohio 44680

Dear Mr. King:

We have received your self-monitoring reports covering the months of May 2004 through July 2009 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance are as follows:

Outfall	Date	Parameter	Reported	Units	Permit Limitation
August 2004:					
002	8/15-8/28	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	8/15-8/28	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	8/15-8/28	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	8/15-8/28	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	8/15-8/28	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
September 2004:					
001	27 Days	Total Precipitation	None	Inches	Reporting required 1/day
001	30 Days	Flow Rate	None	MGD	Reporting required 1/day
001	Weeks 1-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
001	Weeks 1-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
001	Weeks 1-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
001	Weeks 1-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	27 Days	Total Precipitation	None	Inches	Reporting required 1/day
October 2004:					
002	10/31	Total Precipitation	None	Inches	Reporting required 1/day
002	10/31	Flow Rate	None	MGD	Reporting required 1/day
January 2005:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks

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002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
June 2005:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
August 2005:					
002	Weeks 1-2	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
September 2005:					
002	Weeks 1-2	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
October 2005:					
002	Weeks 1-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
February 2007:					
002	Weeks 1-2	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
April 2007:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks

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March 2008:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
April 2008:					
002	Weeks 1-2	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 1-2	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
June 2008:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
April 2009:					
002	Weeks 3-4	Suspended Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Settleable Solids	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Manganese, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	Iron, Total	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks
002	Weeks 3-4	pH	None	mg/l	Reporting required ½ weeks

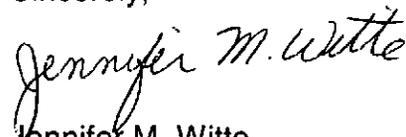
Please review the flow rates for September 2004. The flow rates reported were between 2 and 10 MGD.

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

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements specified in your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 6111. If these violations continue to occur and if satisfactory progress is not made, it may be necessary to initiate enforcement action to achieve compliance.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5206.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer M. Witte".

Jennifer M. Witte
Chemical Engineer - Environmental Specialist II
Division of Surface Water

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