



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

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April 10, 2009

**Re:** Jefferson County  
Severstal Wheeling, Inc.  
Steubenville Plant  
Notice of Violation  
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Bud E. Smith, Director, Env. Control  
Severstal Wheeling, Inc.  
1134 Market Street  
Wheeling, WV 26003

Dear Mr. Smith:

Based on review of records since January 1, 2008, Severstal Wheeling, Inc. Steubenville Plant was found to have reported the following limit violations:

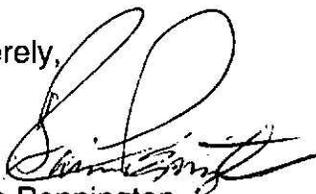
Reporting Period	Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
March 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	9.6	3/2/2008
March 2008	005	pH, Minimum	1D Conc	6.0	5.9	3/3/2008
March 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	9.1	3/5/2008
March 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	9.2	3/16/2008
March 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	9.1	3/24/2008
April 2008	005	pH, Minimum	1D Conc	6.0	5.4	4/3/2008
April 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	10.1	4/7/2008
April 2008	005	pH, Minimum	1D Conc	6.0	5.4	4/9/2008
July 2008	005	pH, Maximum	1D Conc	9.0	10.	7/14/2008
May 2008	019	Copper, Total Recoverable	1D Qty	0.044	.04527	5/8/2008
September 2008	019	Zinc, Total Recoverable	1D Conc	240	344.	9/17/2008
October 2008	019	Zinc, Total Recoverable	1D Conc	240	314.	10/8/2008

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. Permit 01D00033\*GD requires the Owner to report noncompliance as directed by Part III.12.E of the permit which shall contain information listed in Part III.12.B and Part III.12.C.

Our office has been informed that the pickle line is being "idled" in 2009 and as a consequence discharge violations at outfall 005 should be eliminated. We would also like to hear if any treatment operations are being considered for improvement to the 005 system. Additionally, the Copper and Zinc limit violation(s) at outfall 019 need addressed. Please inform this office, in writing, within fourteen 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 further violations. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for completion of the actions.

If you have any questions or need additional time, please contact me at (740) 380-5272.

Sincerely,



Aaron Pennington  
District Representative  
Division of Surface Water

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c: Tom Behlen, AGO, AAG/EES