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April 26, 2010

Re: Muskingum
National Trail Campground
2010 Recon
Correspondence (PWW)

Mr. Tom Gaunder
National Trail Campground
9737 Hunt Road
Saint Louisville, Ohio 43071

Dear Mr. Gaunder:

On April 2, 2010, I conducted a Reconnaissance Inspection at National Trail Campground located in Hopewell, Ohio. Karen Gaunder represented National Trail and accompanied me during the inspection. The purpose of the inspection was to determine National Trail's compliance with NPDES Permit Number OGS00015*AD and the Ohio Water Pollution Control Act, Revised Code Chapter 6111.

As a result of the inspection and review of our files, I have the following comments:

1. The General Permit has expired and has not been renewed. Discharging without a valid permit is a violation of Ohio Revised Code 6111. If you plan on discharging from this facility in the future, a current permit is required.
2. The sand filters at the treatment plant were overgrown with weeds. Regular maintenance should be performed to maintain proper operation of the treatment plant. This can be found in Section K. of your General Permit.
3. The electrical system was inadequate to operate the treatment plant. The dosing pumps were inoperable but appeared to be fairly new.
4. The dechlorination system was not properly installed and I found no record of a Permit to Install ever being issued to install the system. Also, the present system is inadequate to handle proper dechlorination of the effluent.
5. The baffle in the clarification portion of the treatment system was missing. This will not allow proper settling to occur in the settling basin.

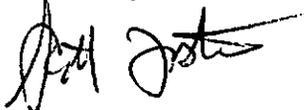
6. There was no flow coming into the treatment plant and there are 3 connections to the system. You should have the lines coming into the treatment plant inspected by camera or dye tested to see if there is a problem with the collection system on the property.

Attached is a copy of the inspection report which unsatisfactory evaluations were given to all the areas inspected. I gave these ratings because of the deficiencies mentioned in the above comments. National Trail Campground should take the appropriate actions to return the facility to compliance with all terms and conditions of the NPDES permit.

Please provide a response to this letter within the next 30 days of your intentions of keeping the system online and making repairs or leaving the system off and abandoning the existing connections to the system. If you abandon the system, proper closure procedures are required to be followed and another inspection will be necessary.

The Ohio EPA strongly encourages pollution prevention as the preferred approach for waste management. The first priority of pollution prevention is to eliminate the generation of wastes and pollutants at the source (source reduction). For those wastes or pollutants that are generated, the second priority is to recycle or reuse them in an environmentally sound manner. You can benefit economically, help preserve the environment, and improve your public image by implementing pollution prevention programs. For more information about pollution prevention, including fact sheets and U.S. EPA's Facility Pollution Prevention Guide, (EPA/600/R-92/088), you may contact the Ohio EPA Pollution Prevention Section at (614) 644-3469 or me at 740-380-5227 for additional information.

Sincerely,



Scott Foster
Environmental Specialist 2
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

- c: Mike Wisecarver
- c: Cassie D'Aula
- c: Karen Gaunder, Owner

NPDES Compliance Inspection Report

A. NATIONAL DATA SYSTEM CODING

Permit No.	NPDES No.	Date	Inspection Type	Inspector	Facility Type
OGS00015*AG	OHGS00023	April 2, 2010	R	S	1

B. FACILITY DATA

Name & Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
National Trail Campground 10998 West Pike Hopewell, Ohio 43746	10:00 am	March 29, 2005
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	10:45 am	December 31, 2009

Name(s) & Title(s) of On-Site Representative(s)	Phone Number(s)
Karen Gaunder, Owner	740-745-1209
Name, Address, & Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number
Tom Gaunder, Owner 9737 Hunt Road N.E. Saint Louisville, Ohio 43071	740-745-1209

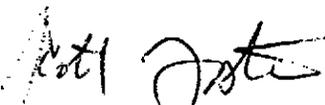
C. AREAS EVALUATED DURING INSPECTION

<u>U</u> Permit	<u>N</u> Flow Measurement	<u>N</u> Pretreatment
<u>N</u> Records/Reports	<u>N</u> Laboratory	<u>N</u> Compliance Schedules
<u>U</u> Operations & Maintenance	<u>U</u> Effluent/Receiving Waters	<u>U</u> Self-Monitoring Program
<u>U</u> Facility Site Review	<u>U</u> Sludge Storage/Disposal	<u>N</u> Other
<u>U</u> Collection System		

(S = Satisfactory; M = Marginal; U = Unsatisfactory; N = Not Evaluated; N/A = Not Applicable)

D. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS/COMMENTS (attach additional sheets if necessary)

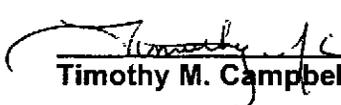
See Attached Letter



Scott Foster, Inspector, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office

4/27/10

Date



Timothy M. Campbell, Reviewer, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office

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