



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

October 3, 2011

Re: Vinton County
Austin Powder
Self-Monitoring Report Violations
NPDES No. 0IF00003*ED
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Larry McCorkle
Manager of Safety & Regulatory
P.O. Box 317
McArthur, Ohio 45651

Dear Mr. McCorkle:

We have received your self-monitoring reports covering the months of January through August 2011 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	Date	Parameter	Reported	Units	Limit
001	1/1/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	36.1625	mg/l	31
001	2/1/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	36.4	mg/l	31
001	5/1/2011	CBOD 5 day	10.075	mg/l	5
001	5/1/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	54.405	mg/l	31
001	5/4/2011	CBOD 5 day	40.3	mg/l	8
001	5/4/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	130.3	mg/l	49
001	6/1/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	39.875	mg/l	31
001	6/15/2011	Chemical Oxygen Demand	51.33	mg/l	49

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.

We have reviewed your report addressing the reasons for the above violations and the actions being taken to prevent further occurrences. Hopefully, these actions will prevent any recurrence so that enforcement action will not be required. No additional information is requested at this time.

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 or U.S. EPA's "*Facility Pollution Prevention Guide*" (EPA/600/R-92.008), please contact the Ohio EPA Pollution Prevention Section at (614) 644-3469.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5266.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Yandrich
District Representative
Division of Surface Water

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