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July 14, 2008

**Re:** Washington County  
Riverview  
Compliance Evaluation Inspection  
Correspondence (PWW)

Mr. Larry Steinel, Commissioner  
Washington County Commissioners  
223 Putnam Street  
Marietta, Ohio 45750

Dear Mr. Steinel:

On June 19, 2008, a Compliance Evaluation Inspection was conducted at the Washington County Commissioners' Riverview wastewater treatment plant. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the County's compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. Present for the inspection were Lila Follett representing the County and Stephen Wells representing Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, Southeast District Office. No wastewater samples were collected as part of the inspection. A copy of my inspection report is attached.

As a result of my inspection, I have the following comments:

1. The flow meter at the plant needs to be upgraded. Accurate flows are not being recorded. Also, the flow meter needs to be calibrated at a minimum 1/year by an outside source to ensure proper flow monitoring is completed.
2. The pumps for the surge tank are currently not in operation. During periods of high flow the County is bypassing at the surge tank. The pumps in the surge tanks need to be repaired to prevent the bypassing of wastewater during high flows. Please update this office on the status of the pumps in the surge tank.
3. The sand filters at the plant are not useable. The walls of the filters have collapsed and are separated allowing for the bypassing of wastewater. Please update this office on when the sand filters will be repaired and placed back into service.
4. As mentioned in above, the surge tank bypasses during periods of high flow. Ms. Follett stated the County is planning on doing smoke testing in the collection system in the near future to help eliminate inflow/infiltration (I/I). Please update the office on the status of the I/I removal.

5. The County needs to maintain an adequate amount of staffing to be able to perform regular operation and maintenance at its wastewater treatment plants. The County needs at least three people to properly perform confined space entry work.
6. Due to the limited area of the old chlorination tank location, the chlorination of the effluent has been moved to the flow monitoring sump. This allows the plant to chlorinate and dechlorinate the effluent.

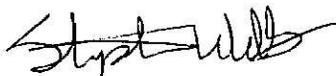
The Ohio EPA strongly encourages pollution prevention as the preferred approach for waste management. The first priority of pollution prevention is to eliminate the generation of wastes and pollutants at the source (source reduction). For those wastes or pollutants that are generated, the second priority 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.

In conclusion, the Washington County Commissioners' Riverview wastewater treatment plant appeared to be non-compliance with its NPDES Permit at the time of the inspection.

Please respond to the above comments in writing to this office within 20 days of receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (740) 380-5434.

Sincerely,



Stephen Wells  
District Representative  
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

c: Lila Follett, Operator

# NPDES Compliance Inspection Report

## A. NATIONAL DATA SYSTEM CODING

Permit No.	NPDES No.	Date	Inspection Type	Inspector	Facility Type
OPG00021*GD	OH0050831	June 19, 2008	C	S	1

## B. FACILITY DATA

Name and Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
Washington County Commissioners Riverview Wastewater Treatment Plant Township Road 1280 Belpre Township, Belpre, Ohio	11:30 a.m.	February 1, 2007
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	12:20 p.m.	January 31, 2012

Name(s) and Title(s) of On-Site Representative(s)	Phone Number(s)
Lila Follett, Operator	(740) 376-7073
Name, Address and Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number
Washington County Commissioners 223 Putnam Street Marietta, Ohio 45750	(740) 373-6623

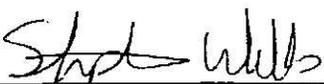
## C. AREAS EVALUATED DURING INSPECTION

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

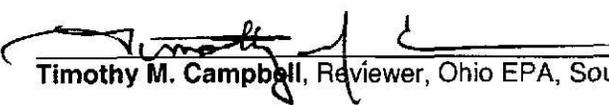
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## D. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS/COMMENTS (attach additional sheets if necessary)

See attached letter.

  
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 Stephen Wells, Inspector, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office

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

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