



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Closed Putnam County Landfill
Putnam County

February 25, 2013

Putnam County Commissioners
245 East Main Street
Suite 101
Ottawa, Ohio 45875

Dear Commissioners:

On February 8, 2013, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) received the explosive gas monitoring results for the December 19, 2012, fourth quarter sampling event conducted at the Closed Putnam County Landfill (Facility). The Facility is required to perform quarterly gas monitoring and reporting in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-12. The explosive gas monitoring wells were sampled on March 14, 2012, September 28, 2012, and December 19, 2012. The gas wells were not sampled during the second quarter in 2012, and the December 19, 2012, results were not submitted within fifteen days of sampling.

The owner/operator of the Facility is in violation of the following Rules:

1. **OAC Rule 3745-27-12(E)(4)**, which states in pertinent part, *"Results shall be submitted to the appropriate district office of the Ohio EPA and the local health district on a form prescribed by director. The results shall be submitted within fifteen days of the date of sampling..."*.
2. **OAC Rule 3745-27-12(E)(1)**, which states in pertinent part, *"Monitoring frequency. Permanent monitors and punch bar stations shall be monitored at the following minimum frequencies:
(a) Quarterly..."*.

Please ensure quarterly monitoring of explosive gas is conducted with the results submitted to the appropriate offices within 15 days of sampling the explosive gas monitoring wells.

The owner/operator of the Facility needs to immediately take the necessary measures to return to compliance with Ohio's environmental laws. Within 14 days of receipt of this letter, the owner/operator is requested to provide documentation to this office including the steps taken to abate the violations cited above.

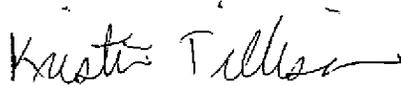
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Documentation of steps taken to return to compliance includes written correspondence, updated policies, and photographs, as appropriate, and may be submitted via the postal service or electronically to kristin.tillison@epa.state.oh.us.

Please be advised that violations cited above will continue until the violations have been properly abated. Failure to comply with Chapter 3734. of the Ohio Revised Code and rules promulgated thereunder may result in a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 per day for each violation. It is imperative that you return to compliance. If circumstances delay the abatement of violations, the owner/operator is requested to submit written correspondence of the steps that will be taken by date certain to attain compliance.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 419-373-3064.

Sincerely,



Kristin Tillison, RS
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Materials and Waste Management

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pc: Brad Price, Putnam County Health Department
;File: Putnam County, Putnam County Landfill, Methane Correspondence ;

ec: Jeremy Scoles