



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

Re: Crawford County
City of Crestline WWTP
NPDES Permit
Notice of Violation

February 6, 2012

Mayor and Council
City of Crestline
100 North Seltzer Street
Crestline, Ohio 44827

Dear Mayor and Council,

This letter is to serve as notification that you are in violation of the Director's Final Findings and Orders that were signed on March 14, 2011 by Mr. Marc Milliron. These orders became effective upon entry into the Director's journal (April 4, 2011).

Order number 9, had activities due July 4, 2011 and required:

"Not later than ninety (90) days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall identify and implement a Public Notification Program to: inform the public of the locations of any SSOs; to inform the public of SSO occurrences; inform the public of the possible health and environmental impacts associated with SSOs; and advise the public against contact recreation when elevated bacterial levels may endanger public health. At a minimum, the public notification program will include signs at SSO locations, newspaper notices, internet postings, and billing inserts, as applicable. Not later than ninety (90) days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall provide a summary of the Public Notification Program to Ohio EPA."

Order number 10, had activities due October 4, 2011 and required:

"Not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall prepare, and submit to Ohio EPA for review and comment, an SSO Emergency Response Plan ("ERP") that identifies measure to protect public health and the environment in the event of an SSO. If Ohio EPA...."

Order number 4, had activities due December 31, 2011 and required:

"By no later than December 31, 2011, submit for review and approval a general plan to address (1) sewer upgrades to eliminate existing sewer overflows, and upgrades to the WWTP necessary to maintain consistent compliance with Respondent's NPDES permit and adequate capacity to handle wastewater flows to the plant. The general plan shall contain a schedule for implementing upgrades. Upon Ohio EPA's approval of the general plan, Respondent shall implement the general plan in accordance with the approved schedule."

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Please note that we did receive a partial electronic copy of this plan on January 11, 2012, but have yet to receive a complete hard copy.

The orders also required the City to submit a payment of \$2,317.50 by December 31, 2011, to the Office of Fiscal Administration and that a copy of the check should be sent to our office. To this date, we have not received a copy of this check.

Please respond in writing within 14 days on how the City will come into compliance with these Orders. Failure to comply these orders in a timely manner will result in escalated enforcement action, which will include a penalty.

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Sharp at 419-373-3019.

Yours truly,



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Mr. Mike Ritter, City of Crestline WWTP
Mr. John Sabo, GGJ, Inc.

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