



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

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

RE: **Notice of Violation**  
Van Wert County  
Hickory Sticks Golf Club  
Ohio EPA Permit No. 2PR00270  
NPDES Permit No. OH0142034

February 7, 2012

Mr. Mark White, President  
Hickory Sticks Golf Club  
12009 U.S. 127  
Van Wert, Ohio 45891-9260

Dear Mr. White:

We are in receipt of your self-monitoring reports covering the months of October through December 2011 for the Hickory Sticks Golf Club. Our review indicates violations of the conditions your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance are enclosed on a separate sheet. Further review of your self-monitoring reports for the previous six months, ending in December 2011, indicates that you are in significant non-compliance (SNC) with two effluent limitations contained in your NPDES permit. The specific instances of SNC are enclosed on a separate sheet.

Please inform this office in writing as to the reasons for the above referenced violations, as well as a description of the actions taken or proposed to prevent any further violations. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for completion of the actions.

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements, including adequate laboratory controls, appropriate quality assurance procedures, and records retention, as specified in your Part III-General conditions of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 6111. If these violations continue to occur and if satisfactory progress is not made, it may be necessary to initiate enforcement action to achieve compliance.

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. Information about Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance & Pollution Prevention can be found on Ohio EPA's Website at <http://epa.ohio.gov/ocapp> or by calling (614) 644 – 3469.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373 – 3022.

Yours truly,

Justin A. Williams  
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure  
pc: Mr. Brandon Fetzer  
ec: Inspection Tracking

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# Violations for Hickory Stricks Golf Club - October - December 2011

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PR00270*AD	October 2011	001	50060	Chlorine, Total Residu	1D Conc	0.019	.23	10/19/2011
2PR00270*AD	October 2011	001	50060	Chlorine, Total Residu	1D Conc	0.019	.22	10/7/2011
2PR00270*AD	December 2011	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	18.0	27.	12/22/2011
2PR00270*AD	December 2011	001	80082	CBOD 5 day	30D Conc	10.0	12.	12/1/2011
2PR00270*AD	December 2011	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12.0	27.	12/1/2011

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## Facilities in Significant Non-Compliance \*\*

Period: Jul-11 Dec-11

County	Permit #	Facility Name	Major	Station Code	Param Code	Parameter Name	Max % Exceed	# Months Signif Exceed (1)**	# Months Exceed (2)**
Van Wert	2PR00270	Hickory Sticks Golf Club			1 00530	Total Suspended Solids	208.3	2	2
Van Wert	2PR00270	Hickory Sticks Golf Club			1 50060	Chlorine, Total Residual	1373.7	2	2

### Footnotes

#### for Significant NonCompliance

\*\* Significant non-compliance with effluent limits occurred if one or more pollutants met the following conditions:

1. During 2 or more months, the reported effluent concentration (or computed load) for a parameter exceeded an effluent limit by:
  - a. 40% for Group 1 pollutants **plus Fecal Coliform**
  - b. 20% for Group 2 pollutants **plus pH, Temperature, whole effluent toxicity**-- or --
2. During 4 or more months, the reported concentration (or computed load) exceeded the limit by > 1%.

Note: This method differs from USEPA Significant Non-compliance (SNC) method in the following ways:

- USEPA only evaluates SNC for average limits. In above analyses, maximum and weekly limits were also considered.