



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor

Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor

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March 19, 2012

RE: HOLMES COUNTY  
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
KAUFMAN TRAILER PARK  
OHIO EPA PERMIT NO. 3PV00127\*AD

Christine and Gary Kaufman  
Kaufman Trailer Park  
6963 Township Road 466  
Nashville, OH 44661

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Dear Ms. Kaufman and Mr. Kaufman:

On February 28, 2012, a site inspection was conducted at the above referenced facility located at Township Road 466, Washington Township, Holmes County. During the inspection, I was accompanied by Dean Stoll of Ohio EPA and Kraig Bucklew of the Holmes County General Health District. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the facility's compliance status with respect to the terms and conditions of the facility's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

The 6,000 gallons per day extended aeration plant (treatment works) consists of a trash trap, extended aeration system with clarifier, dosing chamber, surface sand filtration, chlorine disinfection, dechlorination, and evaporation pond. Sludge management consists of transferring sewage sludge to another treatment works when needed. The treatment works discharges to an unnamed tributary to Lake Fork Mohican River.

**Observations**

The following observations were made during the inspection:

1. The trash trap was at capacity and must be pumped out;
2. The control box for the dosing chamber was damaged and must be repaired;
3. The aeration tank is currently organically underloaded;
4. An air leak was present within the clarifier that must be repaired; and
5. The surface sand filters were clogged and not functioning correctly as documented by the excessive volume of wastewater being ponded. The wall of the surface sand filter has been modified via the construction of a window that allows the ponded wastewater to discharge directly to the unnamed tributary to Lake Fork Mohican River, as evidenced by the erosion gully that has developed from the flow of wastewater. The surface sand filter must be repaired by cleaning/replacing the sand and eliminating the constructed window.

**Operator Certification Requirements**

Part II.A of the NPDES permit establishes specific operator certification requirements and minimum staffing requirements for the Class I facility.

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Ohio EPA records indicate that Dean's Backflow Services is no longer the operator of record for the treatment works. According to your January 25, 2012 letter to Ohio EPA, you state that you are "going to take the next class available to get certified to take care of my own system." Please provide an update regarding this matter.

**Failure to have an operator of record for the treatment works constitute violations of Ohio Revised Code Chapter (ORC) 6111.07 and Part II.A of the NPDES permit.**

**NPDES Permit Compliance Review**

A review of the electronic discharge self-monitoring reports (eDMR) received by Ohio EPA for the period December 1, 2010 through March 1, 2012 indicates that the following violations have occurred.

The eDMRs for the treatment works have not been submitted to Ohio EPA for the period of April 1, 2011 to March 1, 2012. The treatment works must immediately being submitting eDMRs to Ohio EPA in accordance with the treatment works' NPDES permit. In addition, eDMRs submitted to Ohio EPA for the period on December 1, 2012 to February 1, 2012 were greater than thirty days late. **Failure to submit eDMRs to Ohio EPA constitutes violations of ORC 6111.07 and Part I of the NPDES permit.** Please be aware that treatment works is currently defined in U.S. EPA's definition of "significant noncompliance" based upon the eDMR reporting violations.

**Corrective Actions**

Within fourteen (14) days of receiving this notice of violation, you must submit written correspondence to Ohio EPA detailing how each violation will be resolved and the corrective action(s) that have been or will be implemented to address the above violations occurring at the treatment works. The written report must include the date that each corrective action has been or will be implemented; and

In addition, Ohio EPA is requesting you to schedule a meeting over the next couple of weeks in order to discuss the treatment works operation and the above violations. Please contact me in order to schedule the meeting that will be held in Ohio EPA's northeast district office.

**Failure to resolve the violations will result in Ohio EPA pursuing formal enforcement, whereby violations of ORC Chapter 6111 are punishable by fines up to \$10,000 a day per violation.** Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience at (330) 963-1118 or via e-mail at [chris.moody@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:chris.moody@epa.ohio.gov).

Sincerely,



Chris Moody.  
Environmental Specialist II  
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cc: Kraig Bucklew, Holmes County General Health District

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