



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

Re: Sandusky County
Culligan of Northern Ohio - Fremont
Industrial Wastewater

April 17, 2012

Mr. Dennis O'Brien
Culligan of Northern Ohio
507 Tiffin Street
Fremont, Ohio 43420

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

On April 5, 2012, an inspection was made of the wastewater discharge at Culligan of Northern Ohio – Fremont Water Inc. Mr. Dennis O'Brien, Service Manager, was present and provided information regarding the facility and the industrial wastewater discharge.

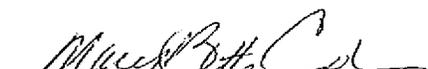
The facility's operation that results in backwash wastewater discharge has been significantly reduced over the past few years. Other process wastewaters are discharged to the Fremont sewerage system. As the permitted discharge has been reduced and noting the ongoing total suspended solids violations (see enclosed), it is recommended that this discharge also be directed to the sanitary sewer. Mr. Jeff Lamson, Fremont Water Pollution Control Center (WPCC) Superintendent (419-334-3876), should be contacted regarding any City requirements prior to connection.

A review of your discharge monitoring reports has also been conducted. A list of permit violations (January 2007 – March 2012) is enclosed.

We have received your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit renewal application. The permit renewal is currently being drafted and will be available shortly for your review. A compliance schedule will be included in the NPDES permit to address the ongoing violations and will require a connection to the sanitary sewer.

If there are any questions, please advise.

Yours truly,


Mary Beth Cohen
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

pc: Mr. Jeff Lamson, Fremont WPCC Superintendent
ec: Inspection Tracking

**Culligan of Northern Ohio - Fremont NPDES permit 2IN00084
January 2007 - March 2012**

Limit Violations

Reporting Period	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
March 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45	662.	3/1/2007
March 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	662.	3/1/2007
August 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45	741.	8/1/2007
August 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	741.	8/1/2007
October 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	37.	10/1/2007
December 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	696.	12/1/2007
December 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45	696.	12/3/2007
March 2008	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	694.	3/1/2008
March 2008	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45	694.	3/4/2008
October 2011	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30	280.	10/1/2011
October 2011	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45	280.	10/3/2011

Monitoring Frequency Violations

Reporting Period	Reporting Code	Parameter	Sample Frequency	Expected	Reported	Violation Date
July 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/Month	1	0	07/01/2007
September 2007	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/Month	1	0	09/01/2007