



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

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

RE: **Notice of Violation**  
Van Wert County  
Ohio City WWTP  
Ohio City WTP

June 6, 2012

Mr. Jeff Krugh  
WWTP Superintendent  
Village of Ohio City  
P.O. Box 248  
Ohio City, Ohio 45874

Dear Mr. Krugh:

We are in receipt of your self-monitoring reports covering the months of January through March 2012 for the Ohio City Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and the Ohio City Water Treatment Plant (WTP). Our review indicates violations of the conditions of the WWTP's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The specific instances of non-compliance are enclosed on a separate sheet. Further review of both sets of self-monitoring reports for the previous six months, ending in March 2012, indicates that you are in significant non-compliance (SNC) with two effluent limitations contained in your NPDES permits. The specific instances of SNC are enclosed on separate sheets.

We are aware that the WTP's discharge has been connected to the Village's sanitary sewer system and require no further response for the violations related to the WTP. **Within 10 days** of the date of this letter, please inform this office in writing as to the reasons for the above referenced violations at the WWTP, 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.

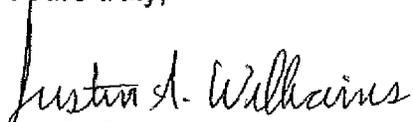
Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements, including adequate laboratory controls, appropriate quality assurance procedures, and records retention, as specified in your Part III-General Conditions of your NPDES permit, may be cause for enforcement 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.

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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,



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Environmental Specialist II  
Division of Surface Water

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# Violations for Ohio City WWTTP - January - March 2012

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PB00030*ID	January 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Qty	10.3	10.3269	1/22/2012
2PB00030*ID	January 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Qty	10.3	13.0209	1/15/2012
2PB00030*ID	January 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Qty	6.8	7.27113	1/1/2012

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

Period: Oct-11 Mar-12

County	Permit #	Facility Name	Major	Station Code	Param Code	Parameter Name	Max % Exceed	# Months Signif Exceed (1)**	# Months Exceed (2)**
Van Wert	2PB00030	Ohio City WWTP		1	00530	Total Suspended Solids	437.1	3	4

### 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.

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Van Wert	2IW00038	Ohio City WTP		2	00515	Residue, Total Dissolved	334	2	2

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