



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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July 5, 2012

RE: STARK COUNTY
LAKE TOWNSHIP
MUNICIPAL STORM WATER
ANNUAL REPORT REVIEW – 2011

FACILITY PERMIT NO: 3GQ00087*BG
DATE OF NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL: 6/4/2009

Stephen Lacey
Zoning Administrator
Lake Township
12360 Market Ave. N.
Hartville, OH 44632

Dear Mr. Lacey:

On March 23, 2012, Ohio EPA received a copy of the annual report required by the Ohio EPA General Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) #OHQ000002. Upon review, Ohio EPA has determined the following:

The annual report for reporting year 2011 is incomplete. In particular, the annual report does not provide the following information:

- The Table of Organization does not identify how implementation of your MS4 program occurs across multiple positions, agencies and departments. Please specify the lines of communication between the parties involved in implementation of your MS4 program.
- Lake Township uses the Stark Soil and Water Conservation District to conduct parts of the Construction, Post-Construction, and Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping programs. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Stark Township and the Stark Soil and Water Conservation District has not been provided. Please submit a current, signed copy of this MOU or contract.
- An attachment that provides schedules for the elimination of illicit connections that have been identified but not yet eliminated. Please list each remaining incidence of known illicit connection, the address or other location indicator, a brief description of the situation and provide a schedule for its elimination.

Finally, the annual report indicates the following possible areas of non-compliance with performance standards contained within the NPDES permit:

- **Mapping of MS4** – Lake Township has not completed the mapping of their municipal separate storm sewer system within the Urbanized Area (UA). Please be aware that mapping of outfalls was to be completed by end of your initial NPDES permit coverage.

Mapping of the rest of the system must be completed within five years of NPDES permit renewal. Mapping is to include catch basins, pipes, ditches, flood control facilities, all publicly-owned post-construction water quality BMPs and those private post-construction water quality BMPs installed to meet requirement of the Ohio EPA NPDES permit for construction activities and/or your local post-construction ordinance.

Please submit the items necessary to complete your annual report and, if violations or possible non-compliance are noted above, please provide me with a letter of response indicating the actions taken to correct these violations. For actions yet to be completed, provide me with a schedule by which corrective action will be complete. If we have incorrectly identified violations or areas of possible non-compliance, please provide a letter of explanation and documentation to support your position. Your response should be received no later than **July 25, 2012**.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (330) 963-1125 or via e-mail at kelly.mcvay@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,



Kelly McVay
Assistant to the District Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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cc: Ellis Erb, Lake Township Trustee

ec: Jason Fyffe, Ohio EPA, DSW, CO