



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

Re: Allen County
Kingdom Hall for Lima Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses
Construction
Storm Water

July 27, 2012

Mr. Mike Skinner, President
Golden Lane Apartments Inc.
4048 Allentown Road
Lima, Ohio 45807

Dear Mr. Skinner:

On July 2, 2012, Jessica Heitman and I inspected Kingdom Hall for Lima Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses at 703 West Bluelick Road, Lima (photos taken). The purpose of our visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activity, Facility ID No. 2GC02885. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. Our records indicate that there are no co-permittees on this project. Michael Skinner, Golden Lane Apartments Inc., was onsite to answer questions regarding the project.

As a result of the inspection, I have the following comments:

1. At the time of construction, grading was complete, and a building pad had been constructed.
2. A stone construction entrance had been installed.
3. A stabilized stockpile was on site.
4. The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) was available on site.
5. Inspection logs were not kept. Inspections must be conducted weekly and within 24 hours of a 0.5" rainfall. Inspections must include: disturbed areas, material storage areas, all sediment and erosion control measures, discharge locations, and all vehicle access points. Records must include: inspector name and qualifications, inspection date, observations, a certification that the facility is in compliance with the SWP3 and the permit, and identify any incidents of non-compliance. The record and certification must be signed in accordance with Part V.G. of the permit. *This is a violation of Part III. G.2.i. of the permit.*

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6. Silt fence on the south side of the site was in disrepair.

Permit Requires: Structural practices shall be used on all sites remaining disturbed for more than 14 days. They shall be implemented prior to grading and within seven days from the start of grubbing. They must remain functional until the upslope area is restabilized. *This is a violation of Part III.G.2.d. of the permit.*

7. Silt fence joints were incorrectly installed. The lines of silt fencing overlapped at the ends. Instead, the stakes must be twisted around each other so that the fabric wraps around both stakes before staking the fence into the ground. The silt fence was also installed backwards. The stakes should be opposite from where the water drains from.

Permit requires: All sediment and erosion control practices must meet the standards of the current edition of *Rainwater and Land Development: Ohio's Standards for Storm Water Management, Land Development, and Urban Stream Protection*. Please see *Part III.G.2. of the permit.*

Within 10 days of the date on this letter, please submit to this office **written notification** as to the actions taken or proposed to prevent any future violations. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for the completion of the actions.

If there are any questions, please contact me at 419-373-3011.

Sincerely,



Bernard E. Weik
Division of Surface Water
Storm Water Program

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cc: Albert Suniga, District Technician
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