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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Wood County
North Baltimore WWTP
Ohio EPA Permit No. 2PB00033
NPDES Permit No. OH0020117

August 28, 2012

Mr. Andrew Patterson
Superintendent
North Baltimore WWTP
205 North Main Street
North Baltimore, Ohio 45872

Dear Mr. Patterson:

A review of the self-monitoring reports that are submitted under the National Permit Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the North Baltimore Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) shows that this facility is in significant non-compliance (SNC) for the following parameters at outfall number 001: Mercury. I am enclosing a list of violations for this facility for the period of January 1, 2012, through June 30, 2012.

A facility becomes SNC when it exceeds the effluent limit for four or more months in two consecutive quarters or exceeds the effluent limit significantly in any two months in two consecutive quarters.

Achieving compliance with Ohio's environmental laws is a primary focus of Ohio EPA in order to reduce risks to public health and welfare.

Before we initiate enforcement action, we would like to work with you to achieve satisfactory progress to bring this facility back into compliance. Within 21 days of the date of this letter, please submit, in writing, the actions that you propose to undertake in order to return your facility into compliance with your NPDES permit. You will also need to give us a timetable for these actions that does not extend past February 28, 2013. These actions and timetable may also be submitted by email to me at patricia.tebbe@epa.state.oh.us.

If you wish to meet with us to discuss this matter, please contact me at 419-373-3016 within 10 days of receiving this letter in order to set up a meeting.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Tebbe, P.E.
Division of Surface Water

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Compliance Data for North Baltimore WWTP between 1/1/2012 to 7/1/2012

Summary

Permit Effluent Limit Violations: 3
Permit Effluent Code Violations: 0
Permit Effluent Frequency Violations: 0
Compliance Schedule Violations: 0

Limit Violations						
Reporting Period	Station	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
March 2012	001	Mercury, Total (Low Le	30D Conc	1.9	8.22	3/1/2012
March 2012	001	Mercury, Total (Low Le	30D Qty	0.0000	.00004	3/1/2012
May 2012	001	Mercury, Total (Low Le	30D Conc	1.9	2.84	5/1/2012