



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Ottawa County
Lake Erie Utilities
Ohio EPA Permit No.2PR00057*FD

January 3, 2013

Mr. James Arvin, President
Lake Erie Utilities Company
P.O. Box 29
Middle Bass Island, Ohio 43448

Dear Mr. Arvin:

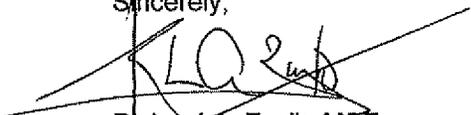
A review of the self-monitoring reports that are submitted under the National Permit Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the Lake Erie Utilities wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) shows that this facility is in significant non-compliance (SNC) for Nitrogen, Ammonia at final outfall number 001. I am enclosing a list of violations for this facility for the period of January 1, 2012, through November 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 provide us a timetable to implement these actions within a reasonable timeframe. These actions and timetable may also be submitted by email to me at rick.zuzik@epa.ohio.gov.

If you wish to meet with us to discuss this matter, please contact me at 419-373-3020 within 10 days of receiving this letter in order to set up a meeting.

Sincerely,



Richard A. Zuzik, MSE
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

pc: Uni-Tech, ORC

ec: Tracking

Get New Data								
Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PR00057*FD	June 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12.0	15.	6/1/2012
2PR00057*FD	June 2012	001	31648	E. coli	30D Conc	126	2700.	6/1/2012
2PR00057*FD	June 2012	001	31648	E. coli	7D Conc	284	2700.	6/22/2012
2PR00057*FD	July 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12.0	12.25	7/1/2012
2PR00057*FD	July 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18.0	28.	7/22/2012
2PR00057*FD	August 2012	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	1.0	1.765	8/1/2012
2PR00057*FD	August 2012	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	1.5	3.08	8/22/2012
2PR00057*FD	September 2012	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	1.0	4.85	9/1/2012
2PR00057*FD	September 2012	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	1.5	4.85	9/1/2012