



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
 Sandusky County
 Village of Gibsonburg
 2PA00005*GD

January 8, 2013

Mr. Paul Clark, Superintendent
 Village of Gibsonburg
 120 North Main Street
 Gibsonburg, Ohio 43431

Dear Mr. Clark:

We are in receipt of your self-monitoring report covering the months April through November 2012 for the Gibsonburg Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The specific instances of non-compliance are as follows:

2PA00005 (001) Effluent Limit Violations
 April 2012 thru November 2012

Reporting Period	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	1.9	3.38375	5/1/2012
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	2.85	5.535	5/1/2012
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Qty	3.6	4.93877	5/1/2012
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Qty	5.4	6.79852	5/1/2012
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	2.85	5.325	5/22/2012
May 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Qty	5.4	7.4398	5/22/2012
June 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	1.9	3.435	6/1/2012
June 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	2.85	5.365	6/8/2012
June 2012	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	2.85	4.65	6/15/2012

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Review of your self-monitoring reports for the six month period ending in September 2012 indicates that you were in significant non-compliance (SNC) with the Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH₃) effluent limitation contained in your NPDES permit. 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. As of this time, it appears that the WWTP has since returned to compliance.

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.

If there are any questions, please contact Mary Beth Cohen at 419-373-3014.

Yours truly,



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Division of Surface Water

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pc: David Johnson, Village Administrator

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