



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

February 13, 2013

RE: COLUMBIANA COUNTY
CITY OF SALEM
VENTRA SALEM, LLC
800 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE
NPDES PERMIT NO. 3IQ00001

David Van Dyne
Environmental Health and Safety Manager
Ventra Salem, LLC
800 Pennsylvania Avenue
Salem, OH 44460

Dear Mr. Van Dyne:

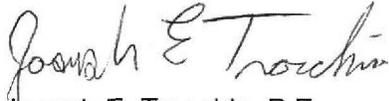
On May 12, 2012, this writer conducted an inspection of Blackhawk Automotive, Inc., located at 800 Pennsylvania Avenue, Salem, Ohio. A follow up inspection of the discharge pond was done on January 22, 2013. The purpose of the inspection was to review the water pollution control facilities and evaluate compliance with the facility's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The following was observed at the time of the inspections:

- 1) The wastewater treatment facilities appeared to operating satisfactorily at the time of the inspection. Wastewater is discharged to an oil and grease separator followed by a pond and then discharges an unnamed tributary of the Middle Fork of Little Beaver Creek commonly known as Buttermilk creek. There was no oil sheen on the pond. Discharge from the treatment facilities appeared satisfactory.
- 2) A review of your electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) revealed a flow rate of 110,000 gpd every week for three years. This is highly unlikely since the cooling tower blow down is mixed with storm water. Estimated flows must be reasonably accurate. Flows can be estimated by the use of a weir or flume, bucket-and-stopwatch measurements, integrating timers on pumps, and/or application of flow versus head curves may be used for estimating flows. Please respond in writing how the company will correct this problem.
- 3) A review of the last three years of discharge monitoring report data revealed that only three effluent violations has occurred during that time. Three temperature violations were documented; two in April 2010 and one in March 2012.
- 4) The NPDES application must have the signature of the President/CEO of the company. In addition, form 2F must be submitted for the storm water runoff from your property.
- 5) The agency will forward a copy of your new draft permit in the near future.

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Should you have any comments or concerns regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1193.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph E. Trocchio". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

Joseph E. Trocchio, P.E.
Environmental Engineer
Division of Surface Water

JT/cs

cc: Chris Staufeneger, Environmental Coordinator, Ventra Salem

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