



John R. Kasich, Governor
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May 6, 2013

RE: SCOOTERS BAR AND GRILL
OHIO EPA PERMIT 3PR00428
ANDOVER TWP, ASHTABULA COUNTY
COMPLIANCE EVALUATION INSPECTION

Mr. Jeff McWilliams, Owner
J Wade, Inc. dba
Scooters Restaurant & Grill
6669 State Route 85
Andover, OH 44003

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

On May 2, 2013, a site inspection was conducted at the above referenced facility at 6669 State Route 85, Andover Township, Ashtabula County. The inspection was conducted by John Schmidt of this office, and Roger Osburn of Lewis Wastewater Services represented Scooters Restaurant. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the facility's compliance status with respect to the terms and conditions of the facility's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and a pre-permit inspection associated with the renewal of this permit. The last compliance inspection was conducted on May 14, 2012.

The system consists of a 1,000 gallon trash trap, 200 gallon equalization tank, 5,000 gpd extended aeration system with clarifier, lift station, dosing chamber, 432 SF surface sand filtration, chlorine disinfection, and dechlorination. Sludge management consists of sludge removal from a 1,000 gallon aerated sludge holding tank when needed to another publicly owned treatment works (POTW). The facility discharges to Wade Creek adjacent to the north side of the facility. No backup power is provided to the facility, and the facility is provided with alarms.

Observations

The following observations were made during the inspection:

1. The plant is operated by Roger Osburn of Lewis Wastewater Services on behalf of Scooters Bar and Grill.
2. Log books, contract, NPDES permit, and the operation and maintenance manual are maintained at the site and were available for inspection. Log books were determined compliant with OAC 3745-7-09.
3. The content of the aeration tank had a chocolate brown color, good mixing, and no odor. A blower was running and the plant was receiving sufficient aeration. The second blower has been repaired and is a backup to the primary blower. The plant was reseeded in 2012.

4. From examination of the plant monitoring reports, sludge has not been removed from this facility in several years. Grease traps were last pumped out in early April 2013.
5. The clarifier was observed as clear, with both the return sludge line and skimmer operable. Effluent channels and weirs appeared in acceptable condition.
6. The dosing pumps operate on floats. Original pumps were replaced with float-activated pumps and that the controls in the control box are non-functional. The alarm was tested and found in operating condition. Roger manually moved the floats and cycled the pumps, which were found operable.
7. The sand filters were not found in acceptable condition. The east bed was in use and contained a considerable amount of sludge. The west bed was dry but also contained a considerable amount of sludge. This amount of sludge to the sand beds is usually an indication that there is too much sludge in the aeration system that must be removed or that there has been a hydraulic overload of the plant. The cause of the excessive sludge to the sludge beds should be investigated and corrected.
8. The disinfection tank was found stocked with the appropriate chlorination and dechlorination chemicals.
9. The final discharge pipe at Wade Creek was observed, and was not discharging at the time of the inspection.

NPDES Permit Compliance Review

A review of the electronic discharge self-monitoring reports (eDMRs) received by Ohio EPA for the period June 1, 2012 through April 1, 2013 indicates apparent noncompliance of the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit as noted below:

Effluent Limit Violations

No violations of effluent limits were noted for the monitoring period reviewed.

Reporting Code Violations

No reporting code or reporting frequency violations were noted for the monitoring period reviewed.

Compliance Schedule

Ohio EPA notes the following regarding your compliance schedule contained within your NPDES permit:

Permit Effective Date	Permit Expiration Date	Schedule Due Date	Completion Date	Event Code	Schedule Type	Schedule Milestone
02/01/2012	01/31/2017	02/01/2013	Not Complete	95999	Report	E. Coli Evaluation
02/01/2012	01/31/2017	03/01/2013	Not Applicable	95999	Construction	Submit PTI if Needed
02/01/2012	01/31/2017	08/01/2013	09/01/2012	05699	Construction	Achieve Final Limits

To-date, Ohio EPA has not received a status report on the ability of the treatment system to meet effluent limits for E.Coli. Based upon a review of the eDMR data for the time period reviewed, it appears that this facility will be able to meet the effluent limits. Please provide a status report as soon as possible.

Please provide a follow-up report on the removal of the excess sludge from the sand beds, as well as the elimination of the cause of the excessive sludge being discharged to the beds.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this inspection, please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1175.

Respectively,



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