



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

May 22, 2013

**RE: NPDES Reconnaissance Inspection and
Notice of Violation**

Mr. Todd Dugan
V.E. Beard Oil Co. Inc.
6990 Lima Street
Huntsville, OH 43324

Dear Mr. Dugan:

On May 16th, I met with Jaime Stevens to conduct an inspection of your fuel station in Huntsville. Since the previous inspection, you have removed the bulk fuel storage tanks and the load rack. Remaining is the retail gas station with conventional fuel islands, a tax-exempt diesel fuel pump, along with a warehouse for storage and distribution of truck and farm equipment fluids. There is also a detached office.

A review of your Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) since December 2012, when you began submitted reports, revealed the following violations:

Date	Parameter	Limit	Result
January 28, 2013	Oil and Grease	10 mg/l	160 mg/l
February 27, 2013			13 mg/l

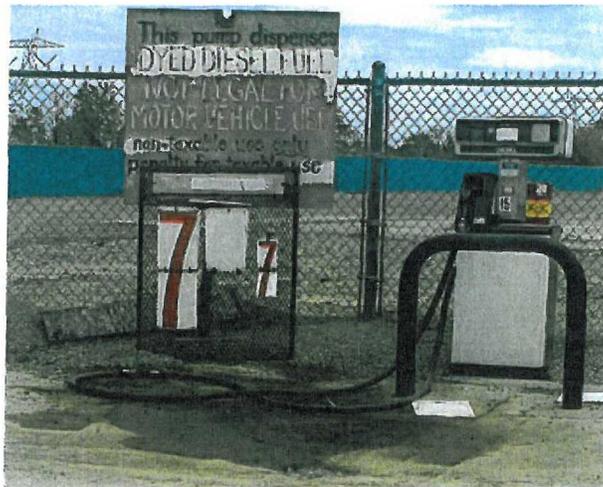
Please provide an explanation for these violations along with corrective measures you plan to take to keep them from recurring. Pollution prevention is typically easier and more effective than treatment.

I was able to view your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3). Ms. Stevens showed me the checklist she uses to inspect and evaluate site conditions to help minimize residual pollutants being washed into the ditch that runs off the property.

There were no issues associated with the storm drains serving the retail fuel islands but there was a significant amount of fuel on the ground around the tax-exempt diesel pump as shown the following picture:

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Ms. Stevens recently informed me that a vehicle apparently ran over the hose, causing a rock to puncture it. She said the hose has since been replaced. I believe it is necessary to provide a better means of storing the long hose to minimize the chance of it being damaged.

This area of your facility's operations should otherwise be evaluated to ensure possible tank overfills are avoided or are quickly cleaned up using absorbent material. Please evaluate your SWP3 as it pertains to this unsheltered fueling station and let me know of any plans for making improvements.

I will be preparing the renewal of your NPDES permit very soon; please review the proposed changes during the public-notice period and provide me any comments.

If you have any questions concerning this letter or the attached form, please call me at (937) 285-6095 or send me an email at matt.walbridge@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Walbridge".

Matt Walbridge
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Surface Water

Enclosure

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NPDES COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT

Section A: National Data System Coding

Permit Number 1IN00282*AD	NPDES Number OH0133990	Inspection Date May 16, 2013	Inspection Type R	Inspector S	Facility Type 2
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Section B: Facility Data

Name and Location of Facility Inspected:	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
V.E. Beard Oil Company, Inc. 6990 Lima Street Huntsville, OH 43324	1245	November 2, 2007
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	1310	November 30, 2012
Name(s) and Titles of On-Site Representative(s)	Phone Number(s)	
Ms. Jaime Stevens	(937) 686-7511	
Name, Title and Address of Responsible Official:	Phone Number	
Mr. Todd Dugan V.E. Beard Oil Company, Inc. Huntsville, OH 43324	(740)-668-7511 (740) 504-8897 (cell)	

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection

(S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, NA = Not Applicable, NE = Not Evaluated)

S Permit	NA Flow Measurement	NA Pretreatment
S Records/Reports	NA Laboratory	NA Compliance Schedules
M Operations & Maintenance	M Effluent/Receiving Waters	NA Collection System
M Facility Site Review	NE Sludge Storage/Disposal	NA Other
M Self-monitoring Program		

Note: Ratings are based on performance since the Director's Final Findings and Orders

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

- **SWP3 is kept on-site, along with associated inspection check list.**
- **All above-ground bulk storage tanks have been removed. Fuels are in underground storage tanks.**
- **There are two heating oil tanks (250-gallon metal tanks as used at residential homes)**
- **The tax-exempt diesel pump is exposed and there was a substantial amount of residual fuel on the ground around the pump and into the drain that used to serve the load rack.**
- **The underground oil/water separator appeared to have been recently accessed.**
- **The sampling point is at the end of a pipe installed at the outlet from the separator. The pipe extends from the oil/water separator outlet in the drainage culvert pipe to where the culvert daylight.**
- **There was no evidence of oily material in the ditch. The ditch, in the area of the discharge, is essentially stripped of vegetation and only had a small amount of stagnant water in it.**

Name and Signature of Inspector(s) Matt Walbridge	Agency / Office / Telephone Ohio EPA / Southwest District Office / (937) 285-6095	Date 5-21-13
Name and Signature of Reviewer(s) Martyn G. Burt	Agency / Office / Telephone Ohio EPA / Southwest District Office / (937) 285-6034	Date 5/21/13