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June 14, 2013

Richard E. Baker, Mayor  
Village of Buckeye Lake  
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Dear Mr. Baker:

This letter is written regarding a preliminary MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) evaluation I conducted with Vaughn Klingler, Public Works Director for Village of Buckeye Lake, on June 5, 2013. The purpose of this evaluation was to conduct a cursory review of your storm water program to ensure compliance with MS4 general storm water permit issued by Ohio EPA.

I appreciate the opportunity to conduct a pre-audit evaluation to ensure the Village of Buckeye Lake is working under in a direction to ensure compliance with the requirements of the MS4 permit. This pre- evaluation will ensure your upcoming audit will be conducted effectively and minimize the potential for violations and potential escalated enforcement. During the inspection we evaluated the minimum control measures and found the following deficiencies:

**Minimum Control Measure: Construction Activities**

The general permit requires the inspection and documentation of all inspections of all active construction sites which discharge to your storm sewer system with municipal boundaries. Inspections must include appropriate documentations and must be conducted at a frequency of at least once per month. I will be evaluating all inspection reports concurrent with the upcoming audit to ensure compliance with this permit condition. In addition, enforcement protocols must be established to mechanism are in place to ensure compliance of all construction activities within your jurisdiction. Failure to implement an appropriate enforcement program and/ or inspection program is considered a direct violation of the general permit and will be acted on accordingly. Based on my preliminary review of this minimum control measures there are improvement opportunities to meet the minimum expectation of this permit condition.

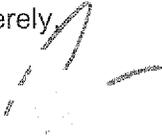
**Minimum Control Measure: Post Construction**

The general permit requires that the Village of Buckeye Lake establish an effective post construction water quality treatment program. This would include the establishment of legal authority for the Village of Buckeye Lake to enter on private property to evaluate and inspect all post construction water quality treatment measures for construction activities greater than one acre. All post construction BMPs (Best Management Practices) must be mapped, inspected, and enforce to ensure continued maintenance in perpetuity. Based on my preliminary review there are improvement opportunities to meet this minimum requirement.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter or the inspection, please do not hesitate to call me at our Central District Office at (614) 728-3844 or email at [harry.kallipolitis@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:harry.kallipolitis@epa.state.oh.us). In addition, please provide a written response (*email preferred*) to the action items addressed above within ten days from receipt of this letter.

Sincerely



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