



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

Re: Hancock County
Autozone Inc Store No. 4559
Construction Storm Water
Facility ID No. 2GC03077

June 19, 2013

Mr. Carl Helton
Autozone Inc.
123 South Front Street
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Mr. Helton:

On June 7, 2013, Zachary Titkemeier and Tom Wilkins inspected the Autozone Inc. Store No. 4559 at 1331 West Trenton Avenue, Findlay. The purpose of their visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activity. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111.

It appears that construction activities at the Autozone Inc. Store No. 4559 are complete. A finished building and a paved parking area were present. A Notice of Termination (NOT) must be filed to relieve you of the obligation to comply with this general permit. An NOT may be filed if one or more of the following conditions have been met:

- Final stabilization has been established on all areas of the site for which the permittee is responsible. Final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover of at least 70% density has been established over the entire site. All temporary erosion and sediment control measures have been removed, properly disposed of, and all trapped sediment has been permanently stabilized; or
- Another operator(s) has assumed control over all areas of the site that have not been fully stabilized.

At this time, your site does not meet the above criteria. I did observe some bare areas where the vegetation has not yet reached a 70% density, especially along the drainageway to the south of the building. Also, it was not evident what post construction storm water management practices had been installed for the site. The permit requires that post-construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) are installed during construction to control pollutants in the

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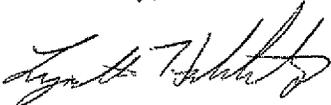
storm water discharges that will occur after construction has concluded. Such practices may include, but are not limited to: storm water extended detention structures; retention structures; water quality swales; and bioretention areas.

There appeared to be a detention basin onsite. Please be aware that a detention basin that fails to provide extended detention of the WQv is not considered a water quality BMP. In order to provide a water quality benefit, the basin must be capable of detaining the "first flush" and providing a significant detention time so as to allow pollutants to settle and provide channel protection. Detention basins that are simply designed to meet a local requirement to control post-development peak rates of discharge to some pre-development rate and/or to store a certain volume of water to provide flood control lack the components required to achieve the goals of post-construction BMPs.

Also, a concrete channel had been installed between what appeared to be the dumpster area and the outfall, allowing for no treatment of the run-off. This is not acceptable. Please send a written response describing what post construction storm water management practices are being/will be implemented at the site within 10 days of the date on this letter. Your reply should include the type(s) of practices, the basis for its design, and installation dates.

Until these issues are resolved, you are not eligible to terminate permit coverage. If there are any questions, please contact me at 419-373-3009.

Sincerely,



Lynette Hablitzel, P.E.
Division of Surface Water
Storm Water Program

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