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June 24, 2013

RE: MEDINA COUNTY
CITY OF BRUNSWICK
CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER
PERMIT NO: 3GC05445*AG
TRUENORTH ENERGY LLC

Mr. Tom Gimmartino
Truenorth Energy LLC
5565 Airport Hwy.
Toledo, OH 43615

Dear Mr. Gimmartino:

On June 19, 2013, I conducted an inspection at the above mentioned site to determine compliance with the Ohio EPA General Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Construction Activities #3GC05445*AG.

It appears that construction activities are complete and the site has been stabilized. Please be aware that NPDES permit coverage must be terminated within 45 days of when the site reaches final stabilization. Final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover (i.e., evenly distributed, without large bare areas) has reached a growth density of 70% or greater on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures. In addition, all temporary erosion and sediment control practices must be removed and disposed and all sediment trapped by these practices must be permanently stabilized.

Before NPDES permit coverage can be terminated, post-construction water quality best management practices (post-construction BMPs) must be installed and a long-term maintenance plan must be provided to the party that will be responsible for long-term maintenance of those practices, e.g., homeowners' association. Post-construction BMPs are permanent site features that will remain in perpetuity to improve the quality of storm water runoff from the development site. Examples of post-construction BMPs include, but are not limited to, extended detention basins, bioretention cells (commonly known as "rain gardens"), sand filters, permeable pavement, and water quality swales. In some cases post-construction BMPs include non-structural preservation areas such as riparian and wetland setbacks.

Please review the site with your city engineer and determine if the site has reached final stabilization and ensure that post-construction BMPs have been installed. If you determine that your site has reached final stabilization, you must terminate NPDES permit coverage by submitting a Notice of Termination (NOT) to:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
General Permit Program
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, OH 43216-1049

The form and instructions are available at: www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx.

If you determine that your site does not yet qualify for an NOT, please provide me with a letter of explanation indicating why NPDES permit coverage cannot yet be terminated. Please submit the NOT to Columbus or the letter of explanation **no later than July 12, 2013.**

If you have any questions, you can contact me at (330) 963-1128 or by email at josh.bewley@epa.ohio.gov. If unavailable, please contact Molly Drinkuth at (330) 963-1215 or by email at molly.drinkuth@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

Josh Bewley
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Division of Surface Water

JB:ddw

cc: Ryan Cummings, Consulting City Engineer
Gary F. Werner, Mayor, City of Brunswick

ec: Molly Drinkuth, DSW, NEDO