



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Hardin County
Alger WWTP
NPDES Permit

August 5, 2013

Mayor and Council
Village of Alger
207 Angle Street
Alger, Ohio 45812

Dear Mayor and Council:

On July 22, 2013, Matthew Hankenhof and I conducted a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit compliance inspection at the Village of Alger Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Mr. Ron Polen, Superintendent, and Mr. Jason Dye were present during the inspection. The final effluent discharging to the unnamed tributary to Cottonwood Ditch was clear with no noticeable odor.

No operator's log book was present on site, in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-7. The log book requirements are in OAC 3745-7-09 and are as follows:

- (A) The owner and operator of record of a public water system, treatment works or sewerage system shall maintain or cause to be maintained operation and maintenance records for each public water system, distribution system, and water treatment plant (WTP) within a public water system, sewerage system, treatment works, or wastewater treatment facility within a treatment works. Some of the formats in which the records may be maintained include, but are not limited to, hard bound books with consecutive page numbering, time cards, separate operation and maintenance records, or well organized computer logs.
- 1) The records shall be housed and maintained in such a manner as to be protected from weather damage and guarantee the authenticity and accuracy of the records contained within.
 - 2) The records shall be accessible onsite for 24 hour inspection by agency or emergency response personnel.
 - 3) At a minimum, the following information shall be recorded:
 - a) Identification of the public water system, sewerage system, or treatment works;

- b) Date and times of arrival and departure for the operator of record and any other operator required by this chapter;
 - c) Specific operation and maintenance activities that affect or have the potential to affect the quality or quantity of sewage or water conveyed, effluent or water produced;
 - d) Results of tests performed and samples taken, unless documented on a laboratory sheet;
 - e) Performance of preventative maintenance and repairs or requests for repair of the equipment that affect or have the potential to affect the quality or quantity of sewage or water conveyed, effluent or water produced; and
 - f) Identification of the persons making entries.
- 4) The records shall be kept up to date, contain a minimum of the previous three months' of data at all times, and be maintained for at least three years.

A review of the discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) from December 2012 through June 2013 shows that there have been no effluent limit violations.

The log book issues noted above must be addressed immediately. If you have any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3006.

Sincerely,



Peggy B. Christie
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

pc: Mr. Ron Polen

ec: Inspection Tracking



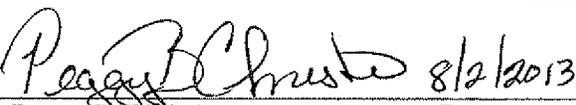
State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Northwest District Office

NPDES Compliance Inspection Report

Section A: National Data System Coding					
Permit #	NPDES#	Month/Day/Year	Inspection Type	Inspector	Facility Type
2PB00064	OH0058327	07/22/2013	C	S	1

Section B: Facility Data		
Name and Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
Village of Alger WWTP State Route 235 Alger, Ohio Hardin County	1:00 PM	April 1, 2010
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	2:05	March 31, 2015
Name(s) and Title(s) of On-Site Representatives	Phone Number(s)	
Ron Polen, Superintendent Jason Dye	(Cell) 419-306-7255	
Name, Address and Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number	
Mayor and Council, Village of Alger 207 Angle Street Alger, Ohio 45812	419-757-4321	

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection					
(S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, N = Not Evaluated)					
S	Permit	S	Flow Measurement	S	Pretreatment
S	Records/Reports	N	Laboratory	N	Compliance Schedule
S	Operations & Maintenance	S	Effluent/Receiving Waters	S	Self-Monitoring Program
S	Facility Site Review	N	Sludge Storage/Disposal	S	Other
N	Collection System				

Section D: Summary of Findings (Attach additional sheets if necessary)	
<p>Final effluent is clear. Receiving stream looks good. Chlorine and de-chlorine in service. Lab was clean. Aerators running in the primary lagoon. Small amount of duckweed on the final lagoon. Weir in place to hold the duckweed back.</p> <p>No log book on site, but bench sheets and work sheets were available. Time cards kept at the water treatment plant.</p>	
Inspector	Reviewer
 Peggy B. Christie Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office	 Thomas Poffenbarger, P.E. Water Quality Engineer II/Unit Supervisor Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office
8/2/2013 Date	7/29/13 Date