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July 31, 2013

RE: 3DP00036*BP
GREAT LAKES CHEESE COMPANY, INC.
GEAUGA CO. TROY OAKS WWTP
GEAUGA COUNTY

Mr. Russ Mullins
Great Lakes Cheese Company, Inc.
17825 Great Lakes Parkway
Hiram, Ohio 44234

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

CERTIFIED MAIL

Dear Mr. Mullins:

On February 15, 2012, representatives of this office conducted an Industrial User Inspection of the above facility, with Mr. Art Butt representing the company. As discussed during the inspection and in the March 8, 2012, letter documenting the inspection, Great Lakes Cheese (GLC) had not filed any of the required discharge monitoring report (DMR) data since December 2010. Sampling and analysis had been conducted, and Mr. Butt provided a copy of the data for the first half of 2011. He also indicated that he thought the Geauga County Laboratory was submitting the data. We discussed the fact that GLC is responsible for the contents of the DMR submittal, including certifying the results, and should not delegate its PIN. The current electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) system allows the Geauga County Laboratory to enter data, and then have GLC review and PIN it. This office directed Great Lakes Cheese to submit 2011 data through eDMR to comply with sampling and reporting requirements.

A review of the DMR data shows that Great Lakes Cheese still has not filed monitoring data since December 2010. Great Lakes Cheese is in significant non-compliance for failure to submit monitoring data. All discharge monitoring data for January 2011 through June 2013 must be properly submitted using eDMR as required by Part III.3. of the IDP. Failure to submit the data by close-of-business August 16, 2013 will result in a referral for escalated enforcement.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (330) 963-1285. I can also be reached via e-mail at donna.kniss@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

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Northeast District Office

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