



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Auglaize County
Con-Ag, Inc.
Ohio EPA Permit No. 2IJ00082
NPDES Permit No. OH0095541

August 9, 2013

Mr. John Hirschfield
Con-Ag, Inc.
16672 County Road 66A
St. Marys, Ohio 45885

Dear Mr. Hirschfield:

We are in receipt of your self-monitoring reports covering the months of April through June 2013 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The specific instances of non-compliance are enclosed on a separate sheet.

Within 10 days of the date of this letter, please inform this office in writing as to the reasons for the above referenced violations, as well as a description of the actions taken or proposed to prevent any further violations. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for completion of the actions.

This letter also serves to notify you that the facility's June 2013 discharge monitoring report was submitted late. The submittal dates of the reports received during the quarter are also enclosed. As a reminder, all discharge monitoring reports are due by the 15th day of the following month for paper copies and by the 20th day of the following month for electronic submittals.

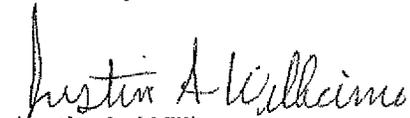
Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements, including adequate laboratory controls, appropriate quality assurance procedures, and records retention, as specified in your Part III-General Conditions of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. If these violations continue to occur and if satisfactory progress is not made, it may be necessary to initiate enforcement action to achieve compliance.

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The Ohio EPA strongly encourages pollution prevention as the preferred approach for waste management. The first priority of pollution prevention is to eliminate the generation of wastes and pollutants at the source (source reduction). For those wastes or pollutants that are generated, the second priority is to recycle or reuse them in an environmentally sound manner. You can benefit economically, help preserve the environment, and improve your public image by implementing pollution prevention programs. Information about Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance & Pollution Prevention can be found on Ohio EPA's Website at <http://epa.ohio.gov/ocapp> or by calling (614) 644 – 3469.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373 – 3022.

Sincerely,



Justin A. Williams
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Division of Surface Water

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Enclosures

ec: NOV Tracking

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Violations Per Con-Ag, Inc. April - June 2013

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2IJ00082*ED	April 2013	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	45.0	85.	4/9/2013
2IJ00082*ED	April 2013	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	30.0	85.	4/1/2013

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Facility	Ohio Permit #	Fed Permit #	Station	Required Report Period	DMR Received	Version No	Reporting Lab
CON-AG Inc	21J00082*ED	OH0095541	1	4/1/2013	5/10/2013	0	Belmont Labs
CON-AG Inc	21J00082*ED	OH0095541	1	5/1/2013	6/13/2013	0	Belmont Labs
CON-AG Inc	21J00082*ED	OH0095541	1	6/1/2013	7/26/2013	0	Belmont Labs