



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

Re: Allen County  
Birkmeier Funeral Home  
Construction Storm Water  
Facility ID No. 2GC03164\*AG

August 21, 2013

Mr. Steve Roebuck  
M & W Construction  
1201 Crestwood Drive  
Lima, Ohio 45805

Dear Mr. Roebuck:

On July 23, 2013, Zachary Titkemeier and Tom Wilkins inspected the Birkmeier Funeral Home on 1840 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Delphos (photos taken). The purpose of the 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. On July 18, 2013, Eric Humrickhouse, Project Manager/Safety Director for M & W Construction, informed Tom Wilkins during an email conversation that the final name of the establishment was not Birkmeier Funeral Home as stated on the NOI, but rather that the name has been changed to Strayer Funeral Home.

It appears that construction activities at the Strayer Funeral Home are complete. The building was finished and open for business, a paved parking lot was present, and most of the disturbed land had been stabilized by a vegetative cover. 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.

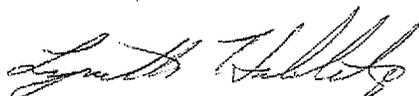
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The site does not appear to meet these criteria at this time. Specifically, there were several patches of bare soil throughout the site. Also, while a dry basin had been constructed at the north end of the property with two catch basins at the bottom, it was not apparent how the post construction storm water management requirements controls had been installed. The permit requires that post-construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) are installed during construction to control pollutants in the 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. Surcharge basins and detention basins that do not provided extended detention of small storms are not adequate to meet the post construction requirements of the permit. Please send a written response describing what post construction storm water management practices are being 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.

When all permit conditions have been met, you may file the NOT form. The NOT form and instructions can be found on our website: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx>. NOTs must be mailed to Ohio EPA's Central Office within 45 days of when the above criteria are met.

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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ec: Greg Berquist, City of Delphos, Safety Services Director  
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