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**RE: INSPECTION FOLLOW-UP LETTER
AND CERTIFIED WARNING LETTER
DAPC FACILITY ID 02-47-00-0554**

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Ken Smetzer
Smetzer Tire Center
352 West Liberty Street
Wooster, OH 44691

Dear Mr. Smetzer:

The purpose of this letter is to discuss the results of the inspection performed at Smetzer Tire Center, located at 238 North Hillcrest Drive, Wooster, Ohio on October 24, 2007, and to inform you that this office has discovered some administrative violations at the facility. Please pass along a thank you to Mark Jackson for meeting with me and providing me with all requested information.

Emission Limitations:

It appears that the facility is operating in compliance with all emission limitations. No visible emissions were observed from the tire buffing system and the cement usage in the cement booth is down compared to the initial data used to set permit limits.

Reporting Requirements:

The permit-to-operate (PTO) for R001 "Tire Cement Booth," although now expired, required that an annual report be submitted by February 1 of each year covering the previous calendar year. The report should have summarized the annual organic compound emissions from the cement booth. This value can be obtained by multiplying the total cement usage for the year in gallons by the organic compound content of the cement (4.46 lbs/gal). This report was not submitted for the calendar years 1999 through 2006, in violation of the terms and conditions of the PTO and Ohio Revised Code (ORC) section 3704.05(C). Please submit this information for each of these calendar years to this office **within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of this letter.**

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Permits-to-Operate:

The PTOs for R001 "Tire Cement Booth" and P900 "Tire Buffing System" expired on August 5, 2004. To date, no permit renewal applications have been received by this office, in violation of Ohio Administrative Code rule 3745-35-02. Please submit a PTO application and appropriate Emission Activity Category form for each unit to this office **within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of this letter**. These forms are enclosed with this letter for your convenience.

Failure to respond to this request in the requested time frame can result in a referral to the Central Office of Ohio EPA for the appropriate enforcement action. The submission of the requested information does not constitute a waiver of Ohio EPA's authority to seek civil penalties as provided in ORC 3704.06. Ohio EPA will decide whether to pursue or decline to pursue penalties regarding this matter at a later date.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (330) 963-1270.

Sincerely,



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