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August 8, 2007

RE: WARNING LETTER
FAILURE TO SUBMIT RENEWAL
PERMIT-TO-OPERATE
APPLICATIONS
FACILITY ID # 0247040798

Thomas Fries
Rock Creek Aluminum, Inc.
320 Huron St.
Elyria, OH 44035

Dear Mr. Fries:

Our records indicate that Rock Creek Aluminum, Inc., located at 320 Huron St. in Elyria, has failed to submit Renewal Permit-to-Operate applications for the following emissions units:

ID	Description	Expiration Date
P003	Aluminum Scrap Shredders	September 15, 1997

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-35-02 requires that the owner or operator of an air contaminant source apply for and obtain a permit-to-operate for each emissions unit. Renewal applications are due within six months prior to the expiration date.

Please submit PTO applications to my attention at the Northeast District Office for the emissions units listed above **within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter**. Blank PTO application forms are enclosed for your convenience. You may download additional forms if needed from our website at <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dapc/fops/eac/eacforms.html>. Please feel free to make copies as needed. Failure to respond to this request in the stated time frame can result in a referral to the Central Office of Ohio EPA for the appropriate enforcement action.

If your records indicate that you submitted the applications on time, please resubmit these along with your documentation of the submittal being done on a timely basis.

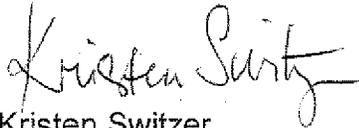
If the emissions unit has been permanently shut down, please reply with the date of the shutdown. If the emissions unit has been temporarily shut down, you will need to obtain a permit-to-operate prior to its return to service. If it has been shut down for more than five years, you will need to obtain a permit-to-install as well as a permit-to-operate prior to its return to service. If the entire facility has been sold or shut down, please reply with the new owners information or the date of closure.

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The submission of the requested permit application 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.

Should you have any questions, please feel to call me at (330) 963-1107.

Sincerely,



Kristen Switzer
Division of Air Pollution Control
Northeast District Office

KS:bo

enclosure: Permit-to-Operate application forms

cc: Dennis Bush, DAPC, NEDO