



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

RE: Notice of Violation
Van Wert County
Ohio City WWTP
Ohio City WTP

December 14, 2011

Mr. Jeff Krugh
WWTP Superintendent
Village of Ohio City
P.O. Box 248
Ohio City, Ohio 45874

Dear Mr. Krugh:

We are in receipt of your self-monitoring reports covering the months of July through September 2011 for the Ohio City WWTP and the Ohio City WTP. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of both NPDES permits. The specific instances of noncompliance are enclosed on separate sheets. Further review of both sets of self-monitoring reports for the previous six months, ending in September 2011, indicates that you are in significant non-compliance (SNC) with two effluent limitations contained in your NPDES permits. The specific instances of SNC are enclosed on separate sheets. This letter also serves as a Notice of Violation to inform you that we are missing the discharge monitoring report listed on the enclosed sheet of paper. As a reminder, hard copy self-monitoring report submissions are due on the 15th day of the following month and electronic submissions are due on the 20th day of the following month. Submit the missing report **within 14 days** of the date of this letter. Even if no discharge occurs, as long as the permit is in place, a report must be submitted.

Please inform this office in writing **within 14 days** 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.

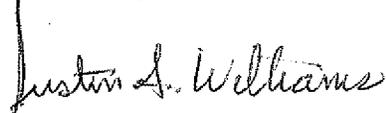
Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements, including adequate laboratory controls, appropriate quality assurance procedures, and records retention, as specified in your Part III-General conditions of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, 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.

Yours truly,



Justin A. Williams
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosures

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Ohio City WWTW - Violations for July - September 2011

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PB00030*ID	September 2011	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Qty	10.3	20.0635	9/8/2011
2PB00030*ID	July 2011	001	00300	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	5.0	3.	7/12/2011
2PB00030*ID	July 2011	001	31648	E. coli	7D Conc	362	48392.	7/1/2011
2PB00030*ID	July 2011	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	7D Conc	2.3	17.54	7/1/2011
2PB00030*ID	July 2011	001	00610	Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3)	30D Conc	1.5	8.77	7/1/2011

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Facilities in Significant Non-Compliance **

Period: Apr-11 Sep-11

County	Permit #	Facility Name	Major	Station Code	Param Code	Parameter Name	Max % Exceed	# Months Signif Exceed (1)**	# Months Exceed (2)**
Van Wert	2PB00030	Ohio City WWTP			1 31648	E. coli	13268	3	3

Footnotes

for Significant NonCompliance

** Significant non-compliance with effluent limits occurred if one or more pollutants met the following conditions:

1. During 2 or more months, the reported effluent concentration (or computed load) for a parameter exceeded an effluent limit by:
 - a. 40% for Group 1 pollutants **plus Fecal Coliform**
 - b. 20% for Group 2 pollutants **plus pH, Temperature, whole effluent toxicity**-- or --
2. During 4 or more months, the reported concentration (or computed load) exceeded the limit by > 1%.

Note: This method differs from USEPA Significant Non-compliance (SNC) method in the following ways:

- USEPA only evaluates SNC for average limits. In above analyses, maximum and weekly limits were also considered.

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Ohio City WTP - Violations for July - September 2011

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2IW00038*BD	July 2011	002	00515	Residue, Total Dissolv	1D Conc	1500	6610.	7/19/2011
2IW00038*BD	September 2011	002	00515	Residue, Total Dissolv	1D Conc	1500	6600.	9/26/2011

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Period: Apr-11 Sep-11

County	Permit #	Facility Name	Major	Station Code	Month Missing
Van Wert	2IW00038	Ohio City WTP		2	8/1/2011