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RE: Seneca County
Village of Attica
Community System
PWSID#: 7400011

October 17, 2005

Gary Weis, Superintendent
Village of Attica
4901 State Route 4
Attica, Ohio 44807

Dear Mr. Weis:

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The Village of Attica's (Attica) public water system has violated Ohio's safe drinking water laws. Specifically, Attica has exceeded the total trihalomethanes (TTHM) maximum contaminant level (MCL), exceeded the total coliform bacteria MCL, failed to comply with the consumer confidence report (CCR) requirements, failed to monitor and report for total organic carbon (TOC), failed to collect grab samples while turbidity monitoring equipment was offline, and failed to provide sufficient disinfection to its drinking water.

Owners or operators of public water systems that fail to comply with Ohio's safe drinking water laws and regulations are subject to civil penalties of up to \$25,000 per day per violation under Ohio Revised Code Section 6109.33.

To resolve your drinking water violations and avoid possible legal action and civil penalties:

- 1) Monitor for total coliform bacteria with a minimum of one routine sample per month from the distribution system and perform any required repeat monitoring, in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-81-21.
- 2) Monitor and report analytical results for one paired (total organic carbon) sample and one source water alkalinity sample per month at a time representative of normal operating conditions and influent water quality, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-77(B)(1).
- 3) If there is a failure in the continuous turbidity monitoring equipment, Attica shall conduct grab sampling every four hours in lieu of continuous monitoring until the continuous turbidity monitoring equipment is repaired and placed back online, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-74(B)(2).

Bob Taft, Governor
Bruce Johnson, Lieutenant Governor
Joseph P. Koncelik, Director

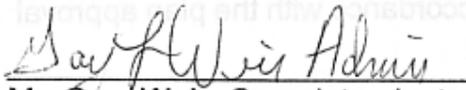
- 4) Provide sufficient disinfection treatment for drinking water by reliably achieving at least 99.9 per cent (3 log) inactivation and/or removal of giardia lamblia cysts and at least 99.99 percent (4 log) inactivation and/or removal of viruses, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-72(B)(1).
- 5) Comply with the CCR rules as required by Chapter 3745-96 of the OAC.
- 6) By November 30, 2005, Attica will advertise to bid the reservoir and new water treatment plant (WTP) projects, in accordance with the plan approval received on December 20, 2004.
- 7) By December 31, 2005, Attica will open bids for the reservoir and WTP projects.
- 8) By January 31, 2006, Attica will have a reservoir and WTP construction contract signed and submitted to Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office (NWDO), Attn: Justin Bowerman, 347 North Dunbrigde Road, Bowling Green, Ohio, 43402.
- 9) By March 31, 2006, Attica will begin construction on the reservoir and WTP in accordance with the plan approval.
- 10) By November 30, 2006, Attica will complete construction of the reservoir and WTP in accordance with the plan approval.
- 11) Attica's running annual average (RAA) will be in compliance with the TTHM MCL in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-12 within twelve (12) months of the completion of construction of the reservoir and WTP.
- 12) Should the new WTP fail to reduce TTHM levels for the quarter to below 80µg/L within two quarters of operation, Attica shall submit plans to address TTHM with treatment or an alternative water source to NWDO.

Sincerely,

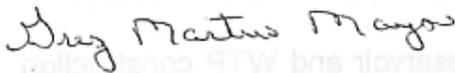


Michael G. Baker, Chief
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

If it is your intent to comply with the safe drinking water laws and regulations in the manner specified, please sign this document and return it to the attention of Emily Cushman at Ohio EPA, DDAGW, Lazarus Government Center, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, within fourteen (14) days. Your signature is not considered an admission of guilt, only an indication of your intention to address the violations noted. Ohio EPA reserves its right to seek civil penalties pursuant to Revised Code 6109.33 for the violations described in this letter. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please call Emily Cushman at (614) 644-2752.


Mr. Gary Weis, Superintendent
Village of Attica

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