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April 21, 2022

Via Email to: jhanson@citizensenergygroup.com
Mr. Jeff Hanson, Director of Wastewater Plant Operations
Indianapolis Belmont & Southport AWT
2020 N Meridian St
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

Dear Mr. Hanson:

Re: Inspection Summary Letter
Sanitary Manholes in Sarah Bolton Park
NPDES Permit No. IN0023183
Beech Grove, Marion County

An inspection of the above-referenced facility or location was conducted by a representative of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Office of Water Quality, pursuant to IC 13-18-3-9. A summary of the inspection is provided below:

Date(s) of Inspection: April 13, 2022
Type of Inspection: Complaint Investigation
Inspection Results: Conditions evaluated were found to be satisfactory at the time of the inspection.

A copy of the NPDES Wastewater Facility Inspection Report is enclosed for your records. Please direct any response to this letter and any questions to Andy Schmidt at 317-691-1905 or by email to atschmid@idem.IN.gov.

Sincerely,

Jason House, Chief
Compliance and Enforcement Branch
Office of Water Quality

Enclosure

Cc: Brad Meriwether, Beech Grove
Cheryl Carlson, Citizens



NPDES Wastewater Facility Inspection Report

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

NPDES Permit Number: IN0023183	Facility Type: Municipality	Facility Classification: Major	TEMPO AI ID 10868
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Date(s) of Inspection: April 13, 2022

Type of Inspection: Complaint Investigation

Name and Location of Facility Inspected: Sanitary Manholes in Sarah Bolton Park 1300 Churchman Avenue Beech Grove IN	County: Marion	Receiving Waters: Lick Creek	Permit Expiration Date: No Permit
			Design Flow: NA

On Site Representative(s):				
First Name	Last Name	Title	Email	Phone
Cheryl	Carlson	Manager, Environmental Compliance	CCarlson@citizensenergygroup.com	317-213-2044
Phil	Gurganus	Project Manager, Beech Grove		

Was a verbal summary of findings presented to the on-site representative? **Yes, by Phone**

Certified Operator: Peter N. Corsaro	Number: 8755	Class: IV	Effective Date: 7-1-19	Expiration Date: 6-30-22	Email:
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Cyber Security Contact:
Name: _____ Email: _____

Responsible Official: Mr. Jeff Hanson, Director of Wastewater Plant Operations 2020 N Meridian St Indianapolis, Indiana 46202	Permittee: Indianapolis Belmonth & Southport AWT Email: jhanson@citizensenergygroup.com Phone: 317-429-3923 Fax: _____
Contacted? No	

INSPECTION FINDINGS

- Conditions evaluated were found to be satisfactory at the time of the inspection. (5)
- Violations were discovered but corrected during the inspection. (4)
- Potential problems were discovered or observed. (3)
- Violations were discovered and require a submittal from you and/or a follow-up inspection by IDEM. (2)
- Violations were discovered and may subject you to an appropriate enforcement response. (1)

AREAS EVALUATED DURING INSPECTION

(S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, N = Not Evaluated)

N	Receiving Waters	N	Facility/Site	N	Self-Monitoring	N	Compliance Schedules
N	Effluent	N	Operation	N	Flow Measurement	N	Pretreatment
N	Permit	N	Maintenance	N	Laboratory	N	Effluent Limits Compliance
S	Collection System	N	Sludge	N	Records/Reports	N	Other:

DETAILED AREA EVALUATIONS

Collection System:

Comments:

A complainant had reported that polluted water was observed flowing over a recently constructed bike/walking path in Sarah Bolten Park in Beech Grove. The complainant had also reported that that a sanitary manhole adjacent to the path might be the source of the water.

At the site, the paved path was walked, and it was noted that part of the path is routed through a low, wet area next to Lick Creek. With the low elevation of the finished trail relative to the wet surrounding area, it appears that rain water and seepage from higher ground collects and runs over the trail towards the adjacent creek. It also appears that efforts are continuing in installing more drainage structures that can collect that water and pipe it to the creek so that the trail can stay more dry.

There is a sanitary sewage interceptor that also runs under that wet area that is owned by Citizens Energy Group. All manholes for that interceptor that were inspected appeared to be well-sealed and tight, with no visible evidence of any leaking being noted. There was one manhole that was low enough that water might pond over it, and it would be recommended to raise it's elevation slightly in order that water does not cover it and to facilitate those efforts toward allowing better drainage of rain water along the trail, although the manhole appeared structurally sound and also well-sealed as were all the others manholes inspected.

All ponded water and water running across the paved path appeared to be rain water and seepage water from the ground. That water washes some soil onto the trail and it does promote the growth of algae, however no evidence of any sewage or other contamination was noted and no other problem was observed.

Effluent Limits Compliance:

No 1. Were DMRs reviewed as part of the inspection?

Comments:

IDEM REPRESENTATIVE

Inspector Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

Andy Schmidt

atschmid@idem.IN.gov

317-691-1905

IDEM MANAGER REVIEW

IDEM Manager:

Date:

Andy Schmidt

4/21/2022