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Mr. Glenn Davis, Program Manager
State of Delaware – DNREC
Division of Water Resources
Surface Water Discharges Section
89 Kings Highway
Dover, Delaware 19901

Re: Permit #DE0000299
Discharge Outfall 001

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is to follow up the 24 hour verbal notification call to you that occurred on March 29, 2012. This call was to inform you of the Total Nitrogen result from the composite sample for the sampling period March 20, 2012. Per the notification requirements of Part II, Section A.2(b) of the referenced permit we report the following:

Allen's – Harbeson 001 Composite Sample

Sample Date	Parameter	Results Reported
March 20, 2012	Total Nitrogen	56.2 mg/L

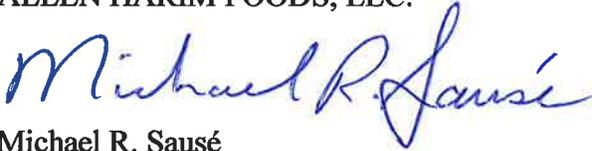
We believe that the dissolved oxygen levels in the anoxic ponds and CMAS 1 tank were too high to allow for the denitrification process to be accomplished. Nitrate levels in the wastewater system were high resulting in a Total Nitrogen level that exceeded the permit limit of 55.3 mg/L for daily maximum.

Corrective action was taken to reduce the nitrate levels in the wastewater system. Specifically we made the following changes; (1) we increased the recycle flow to the anoxic ponds by approximately 30 percent, (2) one anoxic pond blower was temporarily taken out of service, and (3) the dissolved oxygen upper limit in CMAS 1 was adjusted from 3.0 mg/L to 2.0 mg/L. These adjustments resulted in decreased nitrate and total nitrogen levels in the system. The plant effluent was back in compliance on March 27, 2012 with a reported Total Nitrogen level of 33.9 mg/L.

Additional composite sampling of the 001 discharge was performed on March 28th, 29th and 30th with analyses for Total Nitrogen completed. These results were 12.3 mg/L, 4.13 mg/L and 2.85 mg/L

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at (302) 684-1640, Ext. 184.

Respectfully submitted,
ALLEN HARIM FOODS, LLC.



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