



August 7, 2015

Chad Johnson  
Ash Creek Dairy  
28999 Downey Ln.  
Richland Center WI 53581

Subject: Satisfaction of Notice of Discharge -- Category II

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge that you have implemented the necessary corrective actions to comply with the following:

Notice Type	Date Notice Issued	Operation Location
Notice of Discharge - Category II	June 10, 2015	NW1/4, SW1/4, Sec. 1, T9N, R1E, Town of Orion, Richland County

The Notice of Discharge (NOD) was issued as a result of significant discharge of process wastewater (feed leachate) to waters of the state. With technical assistance from the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and Richland County Land Conservation Department (LCD), you have successfully installed or implemented the necessary corrective actions to comply with State Agricultural Performance Standards and Prohibitions; Best Management Practice utilized to meet these requirements include the following:

\*Feed Storage Leachate

As a result of installing the best management practices necessary to comply with the NOD, the DNR, in consultation with the Richland County LCD, has determined that you are now in compliance with the following State Agricultural Performance Standards and Prohibitions at the specific locations listed below:

Agricultural Standard / Prohibition	Parcel Location where Compliance was Achieved
Process Wastewater Handling (s. 151.055)	NW1/4, SW 1/4, Sec. 1, T9N R1E, Richland County

In accordance with NR 151, Wis. Adm. Code, any cropland practice or livestock facility that is brought into compliance with a state performance standard or prohibition must remain in compliance in perpetuity regardless of future cost share availability. Since your feed storage facility is now deemed in compliance with state standards, as identified above, it is required that you and any future landowners / operators maintain compliance.

Please be aware that if you fail to maintain the corrective actions that you have taken to comply with the Notice of Discharge, the Department of Natural Resources may need to take additional enforcement action under state law, including referral to the Department of Justice pursuant to s. 283.89, Wis. Statutes, and / or you may also be required to obtain WPDES permit coverage as a Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO).

The Department would like to thank you for your cooperation. Your efforts have contributed to improving water quality within the Pine River Watershed. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact me at (608) 275-3288 or [mike.gilbertson@wisconsin.gov](mailto:mike.gilbertson@wisconsin.gov) .

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Gilbertson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mike Gilbertson  
Regional Nonpoint Source Coordinator

Cc: Cathy Cooper – Richland County LCD  
Dave Calhoon – DNR, CF/2  
Linda Talbot – DNR, WT/3  
Coreen Fallat – DATCP, Madison  
Andy Morton – DNR, Fitchburg