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September 8, 2009

Mr. John Reese
Ashta Chemicals, Inc
3905 Middle Road
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004

I certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the official documents as filed in the records of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

By: [Signature] Date: 9-8-09

**Re: Closure Period Extension
Ashta Chemicals, Inc.
Closure Area 1 and Closure Area 2
OHD980793301**

Dear Mr. Reese:

On August 6, 2009, Ashta Chemicals, Inc. (Ashta), located at 3905 Middle Road, Ashtabula, Ohio, submitted a request for an extension to the closure period specified in the approved closure plan dated May 26, 2009, for sixty (60) days until October 9, 2009. The extension request was submitted pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-66-13(B). Ashta has requested this extension to allow time for the Environmental Covenant to be finalized and recorded as necessary. All other closure activities have been completed.

My staff reviewed your request for an extension to the closure period, and recommends that the extension be granted per OAC rule 3745-66-13(B). I concur, and am therefore granting this extension request. This extension is being granted for the above referenced closure plan and expires on October 9, 2009.

Ashta shall continue to take all steps to prevent a threat to human health and the environment from the unclosed, but inactive waste management unit per OAC rule 3745-66-13(B)(2).

Please be advised that approval of this closure extension request does not release Ashta from any responsibilities as required under the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984, regarding corrective action for all releases of hazardous waste or constituents from any solid waste management unit, regardless of the time at which waste was placed in the unit.

Ted Strickland, Governor
Lee Fisher, Lieutenant Governor
Chris Korleski, Director

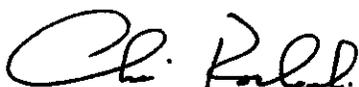
You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00 which the Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit you demonstrate that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
309 South Fourth Street, Room 222
Columbus, OH 43215

When closure is completed, OAC rule 3745-66-15 requires the owner or operator of a facility to submit to the Director of Ohio EPA, certification by the owner or operator and an independent, registered professional engineer that the facility has been closed in accordance with the specifications in the approved closure plan. The certification shall follow the format specified in OAC rule 3745-50-42(D), and should be submitted to:

Jeremy A. Carroll, P.E., Manager
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Hazardous Waste Management
Regulatory and Information Services Section
P.O. Box 1049
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Sincerely,



Chris Korleski
Director

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