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Mr. Jeff Derouen
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Frankfort, KY 40602

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Re: Hillridge Facilities PSC Case No. 2011-00371

Dear Mr. Derouen,

I have attached a letter and notes from my files. Hopefully this information will help. To be honest, neither I nor my neighbors had known that was a waste pump until the February incident. If I had of known before then, I would have kept a better eye out for any incidents. I told my neighbors the very next day because they have young relatives that play along the creek including in the water. How I got involved with Ms. Ridge was calling the number on the signs in the photos and I was redirected to her. She pretty much gave me the impression that no one had a right to put those signs up and she took them immediately. She told me that pump is checked daily which I find very hard to believe. Otherwise, the pump light would not have been red for a week. The snow was melted only in that area helped to bring the situation to our attention. The red light reflected off the snow, too. The trees etc. block the site of the pump so it could have been flashing even longer before the snow fell for all we know. I made one phone call and by 6:00 p.m. there were several people working to remedy the situation including placement of the lime.

Interesting that a waste pump overflow can go across our yard and signs are being posted and taken off of our property and no one seems to think it involves us. How many people would want to have this happen to their property? For other reasons, we have often thought of putting up a fence and we would not be able to even see that area any longer. The property that the pump resides is at the back of our property line being viewed from our back deck across the creek. The home in front of that pump has been rental property for years and is vacant from time to time for months at a time. I believe the house next to it is also rental property. Who is actually keeping an eye on that pump if it isn't being checked daily?

Sincerely,



Karen A Todd

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July 20, 2010

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Re: Sewage Pump Station – 3822 Shannon Run Trail

My husband and I are property owners in Hurstbourne Woods Subdivision in Jefferson County. The 3822 Shannon Run Trail sewage pump station is located on the property that adjoins our property. The creek goes right in the middle of our back yard and our property line goes up to the air conditioning unit on the Shannon Run Trail home.

In February I called MSD concerning the red light remaining on for a week and have attached my notes from that violation. In May MSD signs were placed on our property from that pump station to the creek. These signs had a number to call and after about three weeks of wondering why they were there, on June 7 I called that number. I was directed by an MSD employee to call Sonja Ridge who owns/manages the Hillridge Facilities. At first she didn't even know about the incident in February. She said if signs are up, they are coming down that MSD had no right in putting them on their property. I explained it was not their property but ours. Of course she went into an easement discussion etc. quoting 25 feet. There is no need to cross our property to get to this pump only to access the creek to clean up contamination. Allowing access to the pump does not give ownership to the property.

The evening of June 7 Mrs. Ridge checked out the pump herself. She took all the MSD signs when she left. She also mentioned that when the power goes off, the pump needs to be reset which she insinuated involves LG&E doing. I know the only involvement by LG&E would be getting the power back on for the entire area or grid. She mentioned trying to have a point of contact when that light comes on or issues arise with the pump. It seems that the home on 3822 Shannon Run Trail and the home next to it are rental properties which are both vacant at this time. I wasn't about to volunteer since I don't live in that subdivision. Right now we cannot even see the pump due to the leaves on the trees located on our property. Besides, if it is being checked "daily" and the alarms and lights going off doesn't seem like there would be that need. Also, if it was being checked daily, why didn't she know about the signs especially after three weeks of existence.

I'm sending this letter because I find it interesting that signs are posted and removed without anyone even bothering to contact us and it is our property. I feel MSD placing the signs was a good thing and didn't appreciate Mrs. Ridge taking them off our property. She took a picture first to show to her attorney. I had already taken pictures myself.

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I understand that discussions are taking place for this pump to be turned over to MSD. The creek is a magnet for children's curiosity and they come from wherever to play in the water and check out the fish, ducks etc. that have taken up habitat there. This is why I shared the information with my neighbors as soon as I found out to keep their children and grandchildren away from that area. Posting signs will help but small children cannot read and don't understand it anyway.

We would appreciate being kept informed on the process and ownership of this pump.

Regards,

Karen and Jay Todd
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Enclosures (2)

February 12, 2010

Sewage Pump Station – 3822 Shannon Run Trail

Pump forces the flow back toward Station at corner of Stoney Brook and Watterson Trail. This pump is across the creek and adjacent to the back of the properties of 8416 & 8418 Hurstbourne Woods Place.

Saturday, February 6, 2010 noticed red light was on and the ground was wet several feet wide and the rest of the ground was covered in snow but not in this area.

Thursday, February 11, 2010 red light on pole still on and area is even wider now. Some areas 10 plus feet.

On Thursday February 11 - Karen Todd – 8416 Hurstbourne Woods Place, Hurstbourne Woods Subdivision called Vicki Coombs of MSD to inquire what is wrong with the pump and why is the light remaining on. Received a call same afternoon from a person from Health Dept. Within a couple of hours, several people were working on the pump until around 6:00 p.m.

Friday, February 12, 2010 Karen Todd received a call back from Jon McKinney of the Health Department. Jon informed Karen at this time that the pump is a sewage pumping station which was not known to properties owners; we thought it was some type of water flow pump. Karen was informed that the area is contaminated. The company that mans the pump is listed on the pole with the red light and they are supposed to check on it constantly.

Karen was told that Lime is supposed to be placed on the area and signs posted. However, this won't help the creek where it is flowing into and down the stream.

Friday evening, February 12, 2010 Karen Todd discussed with neighbors Ken and Rosie Kolb and tried to reach Bob and Norma Leach to let them know.

Ken is going to make sure the Home Owners Association is informed.

Vicki Coombs – MSD 540-6131

Jon McKinney – Health Dept. 574-6650



