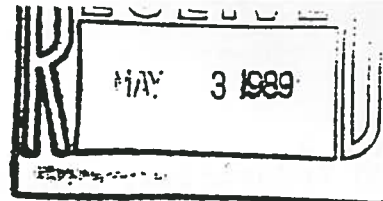


Department of Environmental Quality

WILLAMETTE VALLEY REGION

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April 27, 1989

WTD Industries, Inc.
P.O. Box 5805
Portland, OR 97228-5805

CERTIFIED MAIL

Attn: Barry Diskin
Chief Engineer

RE: NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE
ENF-WVR-WQ-89-90
Philomath Forest Products
Quad Mill
Benton County

This letter is to inform you that you are in violation of certain Oregon statutes, and have caused a significant, adverse environmental impact of state waters.

Discussion

April 13, 1989, I visited your Quad Mill in Philomath and met with your Manager, Steve Long. Together we observed the drainage ditches on both sides of Plymouth Road (Chapel Street). Both ditches were degraded badly, and were heavily laden with thick, off-white, gelatinous growths. This is an indication of water in an advanced stage of degradation. The source of this contamination appeared to be coming from, or around, a pipe coming from the direction of the old, filled-in log ponds. The pipe's discharge appeared to be pond leachate, and was where the water flow and growths both started. The water flowed from this point to the west, crossed under the road, and then flowed to the east, where it joins an unnamed tributary to Greasy Creek.

Specific NonCompliance

Allowing contaminated discharges from the filled log pond, whether by seepage or direct discharge into public waters is a violation of ORS 468.720, which in part states, "no person shall cause pollution of any waters of the state or place or cause to be placed any wastes in a location where such wastes are likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the state by any means."

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Necessary Action

Please submit your plan for correction of the existing situation in such a manner as to cease pollution, or potential pollution, of state waters. This plan should be submitted within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. If you fail to comply, it will be necessary for me to refer this matter to our Enforcement Section for Civil Penalty Assessment, which may be as high as \$7,500 per day for this type of Major Class II violation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call either me or Gary Messer at 378-8240.

Sincerely,

Gary Messer for:

Donald J. Hernandez
Diplomate AAEE
Regional Consultant

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cc: WQ Division
Enforcement Section
Benton County Health Department
Ryle Stemple, WTD Ind.