INSTRUCTION SHEET

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION

You have received a "Notice of Preliminary Determination" pursuant to Rule 4901:2-7-12, Ohio Administrative Code. This Notice of Preliminary Determination is based upon the inspection report prepared in this case, further review and investigation by the Staff, and information presented in a settlement conference with the Staff, if held.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Notice you must either: (1) Pay the civil forfeiture indicated in the Notice, or (2) File a written "Request for Administrative Hearing." If you do not pay the civil forfeiture or file a "Request for Administrative Hearing" within thirty days, you will waive your right to further contest the violation and the civil forfeiture, and you will be subject to an order of the Commission placing you in default and referring your case to the Ohio Attorney General for collections.

Both procedures are described below. Please read them carefully.

1. How to Pay the Forfeiture:

If you do not wish to further contest the civil forfeiture indicated in the Notice, you must make payment of the civil forfeiture indicated in the Notice by check or money order (no Canadian postal money orders please) made payable to: "Treasurer, State of Ohio" and must indicate the case numbers for which payment is being made. Please use the ENCLOSED ENVELOPE to make payment or mail the payment to the following address:

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Fiscal Department 180 East Broad Street, 4th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

THE CASE NUMBER AND THE COMPANY NAME <u>MUST</u> BE WRITTEN ON THE FACE OF YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

2. How file a "Request for Administrative Hearing":

If you do wish to further contest the civil forfeiture indicated in the Notice, you should file a "Request for Administrative Hearing" with the Commission's Docketing Division. Please note that you must file a "Request for Administrative Hearing" in order to further contest the civil forfeiture or compliance order in this matter, even if you had previously served upon the Staff a "Request for Conference." Your "Request for Administrative Hearing" must be in writing and should be mailed or otherwise delivered within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Notice of Preliminary Determination to the following address:

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

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