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Mercer County Permit to Operate Renewals

Overview of Permit to Operate

The Concentrated Animal Feeding Facilities (CAFFs) listed in the table are all located in Mercer County. Each was previously issued either a Review Compliance Certificate (RCC) or Permit to Operate (PTO) by the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) to operate for a period of five years after which time the permit expires and the facility is required to apply for a new PTO. These facilities have applied for renewed operating permits and have met the requirements in OAC 901:10-2.

A Permit to Operate is drafted to regulate operations with plans for manure management, insect and rodent control, mortality management and emergency response. This permit would also be valid for a five-year period, at which time the owner would be required to renew the operating permit.

A manure management plan is required as part of the PTO to demonstrate effective and responsible use of the nutrients contained in the manure. An Insect and Rodent Control plan is required to minimize the presence and negative effects of insects and rodents. A Mortality Management Plan is required for the disposal of dead livestock. Approved methods for disposal are burying, burning, rendering or composting. An Emergency Response Plan is required to ensure accidents or emergencies are handled quickly and efficiently to maintain the safety of the environment, wildlife, and water supplies.

Finally, an Operating Record is contained in the draft PTO that includes all forms and information that must be maintained by the facility to show compliance with ODA's rules. These records include inspection of the manure storage structures, manure characterization, land applications, insect and rodent control, distribution and utilization of manure, and mortality management. These records will be inspected by the department a minimum of twice annually.



Facility Name	Owner(s)/ Operator(s)	Facility Address	Township	Watershed	Livestock	Stocking Capacity
Badgett Enterprises, LTD.	Badgett Enterprises, LTD.	133 Jenkins Rd.; Ft. Recovery, Ohio 45846	Gibson	Wabash River	Layers	108,000
Brian Kremer Poultry	Brian Kremer Brenda Kremer	7865 Droesch Rd.; Maria Stein, Ohio 45860	Marion	Grand Lake St. Marys	Layers	215,000
CJR Poultry & Swine, Inc., Layer Facility	CJR Poultry & Swine, Inc., Charles J. Rose, Roger J. Rose	4237 Ft. Recovery Minster Rd.; St. Henry, Ohio 45883	Granville	Upper Wabash	Layers	192,960
Evers Poultry Farm	Nick Evers, Ryan Evers, Jenna Olberding, Matt Evers, Todd Vehorn	8810 Brockman Rd.; New Bremen, Ohio 45869	Marion	Chickasaw Creek	Layers	120,600
Huelskamp Farms, LLC	Huelskamp Farms, LLC, Kenneth Huelskamp, Dale Huelskamp	2763 St. Peter Rd.; Ft. Recovery, Ohio 45846	Recovery	Upper Wabash	Swine (> 55 lbs)	300
					Swine (< 55 lbs)	200
					Layers	217,000
Linn Farms, Inc.	Linn Farms, Inc.	7018 Indiana Ohio Line Rd.; Celina, Ohio 45822	Liberty	Upper Wabash	Layers	177,600
Meiring Poultry & Fish Farm, LLC	Meiring Poultry & Fish Farm, LLC, Jim Zehringer	2062 Watkins Rd; Ft. Recovery, Ohio 45846	Gibson	Upper Wabash	Pullets	330,000
Mark and Marie Osterholt Farm	Mark Osterholt Marie Osterholt	1289 Burrville Rd; Ft. Recovery, Ohio 45846	Gibson	Upper Wabash	Swine (> 55 lbs)	2,880
					Turkey	6,000
Rindler Poultry, LLC	Rindler Family Real Estate, LLC and Rindler Poultry, LLC	342 Beckman Ave.; St. Henry, Ohio 45883	Granville	Wabash	Layers	1,296,700

