

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SAGINAW BAY DISTRICT OFFICE



May 28, 2014

Brian J. Vokal Midland Cogeneration Venture 100 Progress Place Midland, MI 48640

SRN: B6527, Midland County

Dear Mr. Vokal:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On May 8, 2014, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD) received notification from Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV) of a failure to perform an emission test per requirements contained in MI-ROP-B6527–2008b issued to MCV located at 100 Progress Place, Midland, Michigan. MCV failed to comply with the following condition:

| Process Description   | Rule/Permit<br>Condition Violated  | Comments                              |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| FG-BOILERS1-6<br>(Six 370 MMBtu/hr natural gas-fired<br>cycling boilers controlled by low NOx<br>burner technology and flue gas | FG-BOILERS1-6<br>Special Condition V. 1.<br>Conduct a performance                | Not Federally required per<br>NSPS    |
| recirculation. Each capable of<br>supplying 250,000 lb/hr steam at 800<br>psig and 750°F)                                       | emission test for PM,<br>PM10 and VOC emission<br>rates once every five<br>years | Rolled into ROP from PTI<br>No.351-07 |

MCV determined that four of the six boilers were last tested in October 2008. This constitutes a violation of MI-ROP-B6527-2008b, FG-BOILERS1-6, Special Condition V.1., which requires that the facility conduct a performance emission test on the boilers for PM, PM10, and VOC emission rates once every five years.

On May 16, 2014, the AQD received a letter detailing the actions initiated by MCV to correct the cited violation. The written response included a commitment to conduct a performance emission test for PM, PM10, and VOC emission rates on all six boilers. The facility also requested a review of the appropriateness and the authority to require a performance test on natural gas fired boilers for PM, PM10, and VOC once every five years. MCV proposed that the FG-BOILERS1-6 performance emission test be conducted upon written request of the MDEQ AQD.

The AQD files indicate that MCV's PTI application included a demonstration to show emissions would not exceed Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) criteria for PM10, NOx, CO, and VOC. Emissions of PM10, NO2, and CO were modeled and

shown to be in compliance with both National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and PSD increment consumption parameters. Emissions of PM10, CO, and VOC would be expected to remain constant and not vary, as long as good combustion is maintained. The New Source Review (NSR) permit was issued with testing for PM, PM10, and VOC every five years. This requirement was carried forward to the ROP.

The AQD concurs with the proposed testing schedule and change to the testing requirement in your letter received May 16, 2014. No additional response to this Violation Notice is necessary.

If MCV believes the above observations or statements are inaccurate or do not constitute a violation of the applicable legal requirements cited, please provide appropriate factual information to explain your position.

Thank you for your attention to resolving the violation cited above. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

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