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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

December 23, 2014

Mr. Lance Hollweg
Armada Grain Company
P.O. Box 918
Armada, Michigan 48005

SRN: B8809, Macomb County

Dear Mr. Hollweg:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On December 9, 2014, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Armada Grain Company located at 73180 Fulton Street, Armada, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Armada Grain Company's compliance with the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act; Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451); the administrative rules and Consent Order AQD number 5-1998.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Consent Order Condition Violated	Comments
Extruder, Animal Feed Dryer & Associated Equipment	Consent Order AQD No. 5-1998 paragraph 11.A	Pressure drop was not monitored or recorded once per shift for at least two years through November 2014.
Extruder, Animal Feed Dryer & Associated Equipment	Consent Order AQD No. 5-1998 paragraph 11.B	Water flow was not monitored or recorded once per shift for at least two years through November 2014.
Extruder, Animal Feed Dryer & Associated Equipment	Consent Order AQD No. 5-1998 paragraph 11.C	pH was not monitored or recorded once per shift for at least two years through November 2014.
Extruder, Animal Feed Dryer & Associated Equipment	Consent Order AQD No. 5-1998 paragraph 11.D	Exhaust gas temperature was not monitored or recorded once per shift for at least two years through November 2014.
Extruder, Animal Feed Dryer & Associated Equipment	Consent Order AQD No. 5-1998 paragraph 11.E	Production rate, hours of operation, and type of feed produced were not monitored or recorded once per shift for at least two years through November 2014.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by January 13, 2015 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violation occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violation; whether the violation is ongoing; a summary of the actions that have been taken and are proposed to be taken to correct the violation and the dates by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence.

Violations of Consent Order No. 5-1998 subject the company to stipulated penalty provisions per violation per day of the order as contained in paragraph 17. DEQ staff will determine the appropriateness of stipulated penalties after reviewing the requested response and corrective action above. You will be notified following our review. At that time, staff in the Enforcement Unit would be willing to meet with representatives of your company to discuss this matter and any mitigating circumstances the company feels should be considered prior to staff making a final determination on the amount of stipulated penalties to be assessed.

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

Thank you for your attention to resolving the violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Armada Grain Company. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,



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