

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DETROIT FIELD OFFICE



August 28, 2014

Mr. Linwood Bubar, Director of Operations Detroit Renewable Power, LLC 5700 Russell St. Detroit. MI 48211-2545

Dear Mr. Bubar:

SRN: M4148, Wayne County

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On August 24, 2014, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), investigated complaints regarding nuisance odors alleged to be the result of operations at Detroit Renewable Power, LLC, located at 5700 Russell Street, Detroit, Michigan. The purpose of the investigation was to determine Detroit Renewable Power'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; the conditions of Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) number MI-ROP-M4148-2011; and to investigate complaints of nuisance odors received on August 24, 2014.

Mr. Todd Zynda of the AQD performed an investigation in the morning of August 24, 2014. Mr. Jonathon Lamb of the AQD performed an investigation during the afternoon of August 24, 2014. During both investigations, the following air pollution violation was observed:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Municipal Solid Waste Processing	R 336.1901(b)  ROP No. MI-ROP-M4148-2011, (A)(G.C.12(b))	Strong (Level 4) sour garbage odors observed emitting from the facility and impacting nearby neighborhoods.

During the investigations performed on August 24, Mr. Zynda and Mr. Lamb detected strong garbage odors in residential and commercial areas downwind of the facility which were traced back to Detroit Renewable Power. In Mr. Zynda's and Mr. Lamb's professional judgment, the odors observed were of sufficient intensity, frequency and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901(b) and Section A, General Condition 12(b) of ROP No. MI-ROP-M4148-2011.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by September 18, 2014 (which coincides with 21

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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.

If Detroit Renewable Power 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 violation cited above. Should you require any further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Joyce Zhu

Senior Environmental Engineer

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Air Quality Division 313-456-4720

cc: Ms. LaReina Wheeler, City of Detroit, Department of Environmental Affairs

Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ

Ms. Teresa Seidel, DEQ

Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ

Ms. Wilhemina McLemore, DEQ

Mr. Jonathan Lamb, DEQ

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Mr. John Leone, AG