

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DETROIT



October 9, 2018

Mr. Robert Suida, Plant Manager Detroit Renewable Power 5700 Russell St. Detroit, MI 48211-2545

Dear Mr. Suida:

SRN: M4148, Wayne County

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On October 4 and 7, 2018, 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, located at 5700 Russell Street, Detroit, Michigan. The purpose of the investigations 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 Air Pollution Control Rules; the conditions of Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) number; MI-ROP-M4148-2011a; Consent Judgment File No. 14-1184CE; and to investigate complaints of nuisance odors received on October 4 and 7, 2018.

On October 4, 2018, Mr. Todd Zynda of the AQD performed an investigation from approximately 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM. On October 7, 2018, Mr. Jon Lamb of the AQD performed investigations from approximately 11:30 AM to 12:35 PM and 5:45 PM to 7:00 PM. During the above listed investigations, the following air pollution violation was observed:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Municipal Solid Waste Processing	R 336.1901(b)	Moderate to Strong (Level 3 to 4) garbage odors observed
	ROP No. MI-ROP-M4148-	emitting from the facility and
	2011a, (A)(G.C.12(b))	impacting nearby neighborhoods.
	Consent Judgment File	Tielgriberriedde.
	No. 14-1184ČE, VI. Civil	
	Fine and Stipulated Fines,	
	Paragraph B.6.2(b)	

During the investigations on October 4 and 7, 2018, moderate to strong, consistent garbage odors were detected in residential areas downwind of the facility which were traced back to Detroit Renewable Power. In the AQD staff's professional judgment, the

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odors observed were of sufficient intensity and frequency to constitute a violation of Rule 901(b), Section A, General Condition 12(b) of ROP No. MI-ROP-M4148-2011a, and Section VI.B.6.2(b) of Consent Judgment File No. 14-1184CE.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by October 30, 2018 (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.

Please submit the written response to the DEQ, AQD, Detroit District, at 3058 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 2-300, Detroit, Michigan 48202 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor, at the DEQ, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

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,

Todď Zynda, P.E.

Senior Environmental Engineer

Air Quality Division

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cc: Mr. Mark Fletcher, DRP

Mr. Paul Max, City of Detroit BSEED

Mr. John Leone, AG

Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ

Mr. Craig Fitzner, DEQ

Mr. Christopher Ethridge, DEQ

Ms. Jenine Camilleri, DEQ

Ms. Wilhemina McLemore, DEQ

Mr. Jeff Korniski, DEQ

Mr. Jon Lamb, DEQ