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GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

August 4, 2017

Mr. John Berscheid
Rieth Riley Construction Co. Inc.
20251 East 19 Mile Road
Big Rapids, Michigan 49307

SRN: N1384 , Mecosta County

Dear Mr. Berscheid:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 27, 2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Rieth Riley Construction Co. Inc, (Rieth Riley) located at 20251 East 19 Mile Road, Big Rapids, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Rieth Riley'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; and the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) number 401-86K.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Fabric filter baghouse – pressure drop gauge	PTI No. 401-86K, Special Condition (SC) IV.1 Rule 910	Non-compliance with pollution control device design and operation requirements. The device gauge read at zero (outside of permitted range) while the plant was operating. This was observed during my June 21 pre-inspection. Records indicate Rieth Riley may have been in non-compliance for a significant amount of time.

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On June 21, 2017, the AQD staff observed operation of the HMA plant while the baghouse pressure drop was malfunctioning/off line/inoperable. Rieth Riley is required to operate the plant with a pressure drop between 1 and 9 inches of water as specified in PTI No. 401-86K, SC IV.1, but instead operated while it read zero. Records indicated this deficiency had been occurring for potentially years but the issue was not addressed until observed by the AQD.

This constitutes a violation of Act 451, Rule 910, which requires that an air-cleaning device shall be installed, maintained, and operated in a satisfactory manner and in accordance with the administrative rules and existing law.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 25, 2017 (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.

If Rieth Riley 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 and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection on June 21, 2017 and June 27, 2017. 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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