

October 25, 2018

Shamim Ahammod Environmental Engineer Air Quality Division Department of Environmental Quality 27700 Donald Court Warren, MI 48092-2793

Dear Mr. Ahammod:

RE:

SRN: N5145, MACOMB COUNTY

SUBJECT:

**VIOLATION NOTICE** 

In response to your letter dated October 5, 2018 which was received by Industrial Metal Coating on October 11, 2018 regarding strong odors.

The dates of the complaints listed in your letter:

- **September 6, 2018**: We have photos of smoke from a nearby facility that created a strong, foul odor. No odor was being produced by Industrial Metal Coating.
- **September 7, 2018:** Industrial Metal Coating employee was with DEQ staff and pointed out to the DEQ representative the smoke as well as the odor from a nearby facility. No odor was being produced by Industrial Metal Coating.
- September 10, 12, 13 2018: No carts were burned at Industrial Metal Coating neither during the day or evening. On September 10, 2018 a nearby facility was burning material that caused a strong odor. We have photos of the smoke, and witnesses to the odor from that source.
- September 24, 2018: There were no carts burned during the day at Industrial Metal Coating. No ovens were operated during this time period at Industrial Metal Coating.

With the events listed above, we can surmise that the events on August 30, 2018 and September 25, 2018 were from the nearby facility as well. We indicated in

correspondence to the DEQ that we do not have the personnel to observe all the smoke and all the odors from nearby industrial facilities on a daily basis.

We have photo and video evidence of the smoke from the nearby facility. Therefore, we believe that the observations and statements listed on the Notice of Violation letter do not constitute as applicable to our facility and that Industrial Metal Coating is compliant.

Sincerely,

INDUSTRIAL METAL COATING

Philip Oliver

President

Cc/via email: Ms. Jenine Camilleri, DEQ