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January 7, 2020

Mr. Mark Casswell  
 Bucklin's Tree Service, LLC  
 936 Appleton Road  
 Menasha, WI 54952

U142000055, Cass County

Dear Mr. Casswell:

**VIOLATION NOTICE**

On December 18, 2019, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of a wood chipping operation located at Woodlake Road, Jones, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the chipping operation'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 to investigate a recent complaint which we received on December 18, 2019, regarding fugitive dust attributed to wood chipping operations.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Unpermitted facility operation	Rule 201	No Permit to Install has been obtained for this operation
Fugitive dust	Rule 901	No mechanisms or methods to control fugitive dust were observed

**- RULE 201 VIOLATION**

During this inspection, it was noted that Bucklin's Tree Service had commenced operation of an unpermitted process at this facility. The AQD staff advised Kyle Woolsey of Waste Away Group on December 18, 2019, that this is a violation of Rule 201 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

A program for compliance may include a completed Permit To Install (PTI) application for the wood chipping process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: [www.michigan.gov/air](http://www.michigan.gov/air) (in the shaded box on the upper right-hand side of the page).

Be advised that Rule 201 requires that a permit be obtained prior to installation, construction, operation, reconstruction, relocation, or alteration of any process or process equipment which may be a source of an air contaminant.

**- RULE 901 VIOLATION**

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In the professional judgment of AQD staff, the dust fallout that was observed is of sufficient intensity, frequency and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

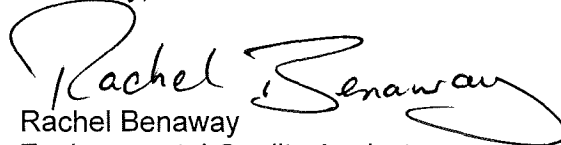
Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by Tuesday, January 28th (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violations occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violations; whether the violations are ongoing; a summary of the actions that have been taken and are proposed to be taken to correct the violations and the dates by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. If operations have ceased, please provide the date they ended and the date the equipment was cleared. If equipment is still present, please provide a date that equipment will be removed.

Please submit the written response to EGLE, AQD, Kalamazoo District, at 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Bucklin's Tree Service 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 the wood chipping operation. 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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Environmental Quality Analyst  
Air Quality Division  
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cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE  
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Ms. Jenine Camilleri, EGLE  
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