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September 6, 2022

VIA E-MAIL

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Avery Sterling  
Sterling Excavation, Inc.  
3685 Lehman Road  
West Branch, Michigan 48661  
SRN/ID: U172203412; Chippewa County

Dear Peter Paramski and Avery Sterling:

**VIOLATION NOTICE**

On August 29, 2022, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD) conducted an inspection of 3057 South Mackinac Trail, Sault Sainte Marie, Chippewa County. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR), Part 61, Subpart M (National Emission Standard for Asbestos), and Rule 942 of Part 55, Air Pollution Control of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

According to my investigation, the Eastern Upper Peninsula Transportation Authority, owns the facility and Sterling Excavation, Inc., performed the demolition activities. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos (NESHAP) holds the *owner and operator* liable for all violations.

During the inspection, EGLE staff observed the following:

The former garage was demolished, and all demolition waste debris was removed. An asbestos inspection was completed on the facility and asbestos abatement was performed prior to the demolition activities. However, both the owner and the contractor failed to submit a Notification of Intent to Renovate/Demolish to the administrator for the demolition.

<b>Process Description</b>	<b>Section Violated</b>	<b>Comments</b>
On 8/29/2022, arrived onsite to perform a post planned renovation inspection. Upon arrival the facility was demolished.	40 CFR §61.145(b)(1)	Failure to notify the administrator prior to the demolition.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this violation notice by September 27, 2022, (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the date(s) 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 date(s) by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. The *signed* written response from the *owner and operator* to this violation notice, may be submitted by mail and directed to my attention at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760. You must also include a copy to Jason Wolf, Enforcement Unit at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760. The response may be scanned and emailed to DechyC@Michigan.gov and WolfJ2@Michigan.gov.

If you believe the above observations or statements are inaccurate or do not constitute a violation 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 extended to me during my site visit and phone conversation. If you have any questions regarding the violation notice or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at 517-749-2891; DechyC@Michigan.gov; or the post office box address provided in the paragraph above.

Sincerely,



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Senior Environmental Quality Analyst  
Air Quality Division

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