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KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

July 7, 2022

Rachel Plotner
J. Rettenmaier USA LP
16369 US 131 Highway
Schoolcraft, Michigan

SRN: U391700037, Kalamazoo County

Dear Rachel Plotner:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On May 24, 2022, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted a complaint investigation of J. Rettenmaier USA LP (facility) located at 16369 US 131 Highway, Schoolcraft, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the facility'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 May 23, 2022, regarding fallout attributed to facility operations.

During the investigation, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Cellulose Production	R 336.1901 (Rule 901)	Lab analysis of fallout at complainant's property shows that the facility is the source. See attached lab results, which show that the same type of cellulose from the facility was found (50%) in the sample from the complainant's property.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by July 28, 2022 (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.

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

If J. Rettenmaier USA LP 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. 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,

Monica Brothers

Monica Brothers
Senior Environmental Quality Analyst
Air Quality Division
269-312-2535

cc: Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE
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