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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
CADILLAC DISTRICT OFFICE



DAN WYANT
DIRECTOR

September 1, 2015

Mr. Brad Morgan, Owner/operator
Morgan Composting, Inc.
4353 US Highway 10
Sears, MI 49679-8706

SRN: U67090093, Osceola County

Dear Mr. Morgan:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On August 26, 2015, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ); Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Morgan Composting, Inc located at 4353 US Highway 10, Sears, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Morgan Composting, Inc. 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 administrative rules and to investigate a recent complaint which we received on August 26, 2015, regarding foul odors attributed to Morgan Composting, Inc operations.

In the professional judgment of AQD staff, the odors that were noted were of sufficient intensity, frequency, and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901. The AQD staff detected odors in a residential area at several points near the facility including on the complainants property.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by September 22, 2015 (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 Morgan Composting, Inc 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 of Morgan Composting, Inc. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Dickman", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Rob Dickman
Environmental Quality Analyst
Air Quality Division
231-876-4412

cc/via email: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ
Ms. Teresa Seidel, DEQ
Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ
Ms. Janis Ransom, DEQ