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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

September 23, 2014

Mr. Jeffrey Schwartz
Axium Group, LLC
P.O. Box 1385
Elkhart, Indiana 46515

SRN: A0703, Cass County

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On July 18, 2014, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Axium Group, LLC (Facility), located at 708 Sherman Lane, Cassopolis, 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 administrative rules; and the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) No. 14-12A.

During the inspection, staff of the DEQ, AQD, observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
FGWOODCOATING	Special Condition II.1. of Permit No. 14-12A.	The volatile organic compounds content of some stains exceeded 3.4 lb/gal (minus water and exempt solvents) as applied.

The following coatings did not meet the 3.4 pounds of volatile organic compounds per gallon (minus water and exempt solvents), as applied, based on Material Safety Data Sheets obtained during the inspection: Lt Maple HF Spray Stain, Nutmeg HF Spray Stain, Cider HF Spray Stain, Ash Ginger HF Spray Stain, Carmel HF Spray Stain, Wheat HF Spray Stain, and Chocolate HF Spray Stain.

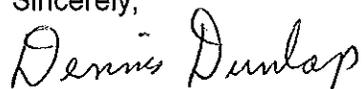
Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by October 13, 2014 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violation occurred; an explanation of the 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 the Facility 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.

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Thank you for your attention to resolving the violation cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of the Facility. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this Facility into compliance, please contact me at the telephone number listed below.

Sincerely,



Dennis Dunlap
Environmental Quality Specialist
Air Quality Division
269-567-3553

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Enclosure

cc: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ
Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ
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