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## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

AIR QUALITY DIVISION



PHILLIP D. ROOS DIRECTOR

December 3, 2024

Andrew Meyer City of Grand Rapids Environmental Services Department 1300 Market Avenue SW Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

SRN: B1729, Kent County

Dear Andrew Meyer:

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On November 11, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), received a performance test report for the Grand Rapids Water Resource Recovery Facility located at 1300 Market Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The test report documented the results of testing conducted on September 12, 2024, to determine compliance with the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) number 37-19B and 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart JJJJ.

The test report identified the following violation:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
EUCHP1 1.411 MW natural gas/renewable natural gas- fired combined heat and power engine	PTI No. 37-19B, FGCHP, Special Condition I.7.	Exceedance of the pound per hour formaldehyde emission limit.

The test report documented a formaldehyde emission rate of 0.061 pounds per hour after the completion of one test run, after which testing was stopped. This is an exceedance of the permitted formaldehyde emission limit of 0.056 pounds per hour.

The cited Special Condition I.7. of PTI number 37-19B is also enforceable under paragraph 9.A. of Consent Order, AQD number 2020-16.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by December 24, 2024 (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

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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.

Please submit the written response to EGLE, AQD, Grand Rapids District, at 350 Ottawa Avenue NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If the City of Grand Rapids 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 compliance testing. 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,

Fric Grinstern

Eric Grinstern Environmental Quality Specialist Air Quality Division 616-558-0616

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