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## Memorandum

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To: DEQ, AQD, Lansing District - Jenine Camilleri

From: Brent Yager - Electrical Manager Sparrow Health System

Date: 11/13/2018

Re: Violation Notice Response

On November 12<sup>th</sup>, the Sparrow Health System Facilities Management Office received a letter regarding 4 violations cited during a Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> inspection by the DEQ. This letter is meant to address why the violations occurred and how they are being handled.

*Violations 1-3:* Rain cap on stack prevents exhaust gases from being discharged unobstructed vertically upwards. Boilers 1-3

It is the current management team's understanding that these rain caps have been in place since the original build of this building, which took place in 2007. These rain caps are still in place, however the Facilities Management team is in the process of getting quotes to have these rain caps removed to comply with DEQ standards. We expect to have these rain caps removed and the unobstructed discharge restored by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

Violation 4: Installation of a fifth generator without a permit to install.

The fifth generator was installed and ran for the first time in April of 2014. The responsibility of obtaining proper permits would have fallen to the Facilities Development team. Since this project closed, the Director of Facilities Development has been relieved of all duties at Sparrow Hospital and new policies have been implemented to prevent missed applications and documentation for regulatory agencies.

In addition, Sparrow Facilities Management is in the process of completing a Permit to Install application. We plan to have this submitted to the DEQ by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, along with the facility-wide Potential to Emit demonstration for all pollutants at the source.

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Sparrow Health System appreciates the assistance and understanding that all involved at the DEQ, have extended to us during this process. If there are any additional steps needed to assure we are in 100% compliance with all DEQ regulations, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Yager

Sparrow Health System – Electrical Manager

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