

March 20, 2018

Mr. Robert Elmouchi
Environmental Quality Analyst Air Quality Division
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
27700 Donald CT.
Warren, MI 48092-2793

Subject: SRN:2479 – 1201 Stephenson Highway, Troy, MI - Response to Notice

Dear Mr. Elmouchi:

Thank you for your letter of March 1, 2017. We take this matter very seriously, and have retained a consultant, Hands & Associates, Inc., to assist in bringing us into compliance. Below, please see responses to your inquiries of your March 1st letter (in bold):

Include: the dates the violation occurred;

The laser stainless steel cutting process, with associated emission controls, has been installed since 2011.

An explanation of the causes and duration of the violation;

We were unaware that the process needed an air permit, as it had a Bruning-Pioneer bag filter control device system installed.

Whether the violation is ongoing;

We are in the process of obtaining a PTI for this equipment, and in the meantime, are continuing to operate and maintain the control device.

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:

Prior to your letter being received, we had Hands & Associates, Inc. (HANDS) visited our facility (on 2/28/18) and we discussed the issue you brought up in your inspection. As part of their work, Hands will review the process for potential exemptions, and if they verify that none apply, they will prepare a complete PTI application for the process.

We anticipate this should be completed within the month of April 2018 and we will keep you updated of our progress.

Sincerely,



Jerry Gatchell
Facilities Technician
Witzenmann USA LLC

