

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN DISTRICT OFFICE



C. HEIDI GRETHER DIRECTOR

March 1, 2018

Mr. Jerry L. Gatchell Witzenmann USA 1201 Stephenson Highway Troy, Michigan 48083

SRN: N2479, Oakland County

Dear Mr. Gatchell:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On September 1, 2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Witzenmann USA located at 1201 Stephenson Highway, Troy, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Witzenmann USA'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 Air Pollution Control Rules; and to determine if Permit to Install (PTI) number 331-90 should be voided because the process equipment has been removed.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

| Process Description                               | Rule/Permit<br>Condition Violated | Comments  |
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| Laser cutting system used to cut stainless steel. | R 336.1201(1)                     | Per additional information<br>received subsequent to the<br>inspection, the AQD determined<br>that emissions from the laser<br>metal cutting process are not<br>exempt from the R 336.1201(1)<br>requirements to obtain a Permit<br>to Install. |

During this inspection, it was noted that Witzenmann USA had installed and commenced operation of unpermitted equipment at this facility. The AQD staff advised Witzenmann USA on January 18, 2018, that this is a violation of Act 451, Rule 201.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the laser cutting process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: <u>www.michigan.gov/deqair</u> (in the shaded box on the upper right hand side of the page)

Be advised that Rule 201 requires that a permit be obtained prior to installation, construction, operation, reconstruction, relocation, or alteration of any process or process equipment which may be a source of an air contaminant.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by March 22, 2018. 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 Witzenmann USA 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 September 1, 2017. 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,

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