

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

AIR QUALITY DIVISION



November 26, 2024

SRN: N7902, Grand Traverse County

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Chris Hubbell, President Grand Traverse Fruit LLC 8055 Angell Road Williamsburg, Michigan 49690

Dear Chris Hubbell:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On November 12, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an odor survey in the area of Grand Traverse Fruit LLC located at 8055 Angell Road, Williamsburg, Michigan. The purpose of this odor survey was to investigate a recent complaint which the AQD received on November 12, 2024, regarding foul odors attributed to Grand Traverse Fruit LLC.

In the professional judgment of the AQD's staff, the odors that were observed were of sufficient intensity, frequency and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

The AQD's staff detected odors along the western border of the facility. The western border is located on Monroe Road. During the odor survey, the AQD's staff logged a total of seven odor survey points by exiting the vehicle and remaining still for a minimum of two minutes while recording any odors with the associated characteristics and intensity. An objectionable odor was present at four survey points along Monroe Road. The odor had the characteristics of sweet decaying organic matter with undertones of a caustic chemical. The remaining three survey points were along the southern border of Angell Road and were recorded as having faint to non-detect odors.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by December 17, 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 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 Caryn Owens at EGLE, AQD, Cadillac District, at 120 West Chapin Street, Cadillac, Michigan 49601 or owensc1@michigan.gov and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

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If Grand Traverse Fruit Company 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. 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,

Caryn Owens

Senior Environmental Engineer

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