

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



UPPER PENINSULA DISTRICT OFFICE

C. HEIDI GRETHER DIRECTOR

December 15, 2016

Mr. Brian Decker Chippewa County Road Commission 3949 South Mackinaw Trail Sault Ste Marie, MI 49783

SRN: P0074, Chippewa County

Dear Mr. Decker:

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On December 7, 2016, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of the Chippewa County Road Commission located at 3949 South Mackinaw Trail, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine your 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); and the Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Collection and burning of waste oil generated off-site	Rule 201	Failure to obtain an Air Use Permit for this
		process

During this inspection, it was noted that Chippewa County Road Commissions has started collecting waste oil that is generated off-site. This waste oil is now being burned in their waste oil furnace. The AQD staff advised you on December 8, 2016, that this is a violation of Act 451, Rule 201.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the waste oil burning process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website:

## http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/nsr\_information.shtml

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 January 5, 2017 (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.

If the Chippewa County Road Commission 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 December 7, 2016. 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,

Joel E Asher

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Air Quality Division

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