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KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

March 28, 2024

Mark Wilson
Clean Earth Environmental
5189 King Highway
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

SRN: U39110449, Kalamazoo County

Dear Mark Wilson:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On March 14, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted a complaint investigation of Clean Earth Environmental located at 5189 King Highway, Kalamazoo, Michigan. The purpose of this investigation was to determine Clean Earth Environmental'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 investigate a recent complaint which we received on March 14, 2024, regarding foul odors attributed to Clean Earth Environmental's operations.

During the investigation, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Sludge Handling	R 336.1901 (Rule 901)	Strong and persistent odors detected off-site.

In the professional judgment of AQD staff, the odor 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 staff detected odors Northeast of the facility along East Michigan Avenue impacting local businesses and residents.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by April 18, 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

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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 Michael Cox at EGLE, AQD, Kalamazoo District, at 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009 or Coxm9@michigan.gov and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Clean Earth Environmental 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 Clean Earth Environmental. 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,

Michael T. Cox

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