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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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August 16, 2017

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. George Cooke
R & M Recycling
2675 Treat Street
Adrian, Michigan 49221

SRN: U461705791, Lenawee County

Dear Mr. Cooke:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On August 10, 2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of R & M Recycling (Company) located at 2675 Treat Street, Adrian, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the Company'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) and the associated Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the inspection, AQD staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Torch cutting of metal being conducted outside on the ground.	Rule 201-No Permit to Install (PTI).	As of December 20, 2016, there is no longer an applicable exemption to the requirement to obtain a PTI from this type of torch cutting process.
Crushing of vehicles that potentially contain mercury switches and petroleum products.	Rule 201-No PTI.	Mercury switches and petroleum products need to be removed and properly disposed of in order to avoid PTI requirements.
Regular burning of industrial waste material using a crane to load/unload waste into an open faced vessel. Ash is being deposited on the ground.	Rule 310.	Open burning of this type of waste material is prohibited.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by September 6, 2017. The written response should include: the dates the violations occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violations; whether the violations are 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 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 violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of this Company. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mr. Scott Miller, DEQ
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Mr. Chris Ethridge, DEQ
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