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Kirk Payne, Director of Sales  
Mold Masters Co.  
1455 Imlay City Road  
Lapeer, Michigan 48446

SRN: A2809; Lapeer County

Dear Kirk Payne:

SUBJECT: Consent Order AQD No. 2023-03, Stipulated Fines

On January 4, 2023, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), and Mold Masters Co. (Company) entered into the enclosed Stipulation for Entry of Final Order by Consent (Consent Order) AQD No. 2023-03, to resolve violations of Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and Permit to Install 368-06D. In a Violation Notice (VN) dated February 16, 2024, the AQD cited the Company for violating the terms and conditions of the Consent Order. Specifically, the AQD alleges that the Company failed to perform testing for volatile organic compound (VOC) destruction efficiency and verify capture efficiency of the enclosure for EUFlockBooth5.

Paragraph 10.A of the Consent Order, in part, puts forth the following conditions:

“No more than sixty (60) days after the Effective Date of this Consent Order, the Company shall complete testing for VOC destruction efficiency and verify capture efficiency of the enclosure or that the enclosure meets the definition of a permanent total enclosure for EUFlockBooth5.”

Furthermore, paragraph 14 of the Consent Order reads, in part:

“On and after the Effective Date of this Consent Order, if the Company fails to comply with paragraph 9.B, 9.C, 10.A, 10.B, 10.C, or 10.D of this Consent Order, the Company is subject to a stipulated fine of up to \$5,000.00 per violation per day.”

The violation has been ongoing for more than two years. The AQD first notified the Company of the need to conduct the required testing in a VN, dated February 15, 2022. Since that time, the AQD has issued multiple VNs and met with the Company on numerous occasions. After an extended outage, the Company committed to completing

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the required emissions testing on February 14, 2024, but failed to do so. As of the date of this letter, the Company is 182 days past the deadline for completing the emissions testing. The AQD has determined the amount of stipulated fines to be \$1,000 for each day of the continuing violation which totals \$182,000.00.

The Company is hereby requested to submit the stipulated fines of \$182,000.00 in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 14 of the Consent Order, by September 16, 2024. To ensure proper credit, all payments shall include the Agreement Identification No. AQD40296-S on the face of the check. Stipulated fines submitted under this Consent Order shall be made by check, payable to the "State of Michigan" and mailed to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Accounting Services Division, Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30657, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8157.

Sincerely,



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