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June 3, 2021

UPS NEXT DAY DELIVERY

Mr. Dan Brown, General Manager
United States Steel Great Lakes Works
No.1 Quality Drive
Ecorse, Michigan 48229

SRN: A7809; Wayne County

Dear Mr. Brown:

SUBJECT: Consent Order AQD No. 2020-11, Stipulated Fines

On November 19, 2020, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), and United States Steel Corporation (Company) entered into a Stipulation for Entry of Final Order by Consent (Consent Order) AQD No. 2020-11. In a Violation Notice dated April 30, 2021, the AQD cited the Company for exceeding the HCl emission limits from the No. 5 Pickle Line during a February 16, 2021, stack test, which is a violation of the terms and conditions of the Consent Order.

Paragraph 9.A of Consent Order AQD No. 2020-11 puts forth the following conditions:

“On and after the effective date of this Consent Order, the Company shall comply with the HCl emission limits for the No. 5 Pickle Line scrubber in Section 1, Table E-01.08, Condition II.B of ROP No. 199600132d, as amended.”

Furthermore, Paragraph 18 of Consent Order AQD No. 2020-11 reads, in part:

“On and after the date of this Consent Order, if the Company fails to comply with paragraph 9.A of this Consent Order, the Company is subject to a stipulated fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation per day”; and

“Stipulated fines for failing to comply with paragraphs 9, 10, or 11 shall not accrue on any day or days or periods of time in which the No. 5 Pickle Line, B2 Blast Furnace, or D4 Blast Furnace, as applicable, are not operating.”

After reviewing the Violation Notice and the Company’s response to the violations, the AQD has determined that the Company failed to comply with the HCl emission limits for 14 days between the February 16, 2021, stack test and the March 11, 2021, retest. Based on information provided by the Company, the Pickle Line was not operating for nine days between the stack tests. The AQD has determined the amount of stipulated fines to be \$140,000.

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The Company is hereby requested to submit the stipulated fines of \$140,000 in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 18 of Consent Order AQD No. 2020-11, by July 3, 2021. To ensure proper credit, all payments shall include the Agreement Identification No. AQD40246-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 Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Accounting Services Division, Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30657, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8157.

Please contact me at 517-275-0883 or MoranE@Michigan.gov if you have any questions.

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By: _____
Erin Moran
Enforcement Unit, Air Quality Division

Date: 6/3/2021

cc: Mr. Neil Gordon, Michigan Department of Attorney General
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