

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY JACKSON DISTRICT OFFICE



C. HEIDI GRETHER DIRECTOR

September 22, 2017

## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL – 7010 0290 0000 3734 2521</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Mr. Mitch Marsh Marsh Plating Corporation 103 N. Grove St. Ypsilanti, MI 48198

SRN: B2576, Washtenaw County

Dear Mr. Marsh:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On 8/8/2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Marsh Plating located at 103 N. Grove St., Ypsilanti, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Marsh Plating'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 the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) number 20-86, 552-86, and 1138-89;

	Rule/Permit	
Process Description		Comments
Plating Lines 2-6, 8 using nickel compounds in the plating process	Rule 201	The facility failed to acquire a permit to install for their active plating operation. Current permits identify processes as copper or cadmium plating, however these lines have nickel compounds in the plating tanks.
Plating Lines 2-6, 8 using nickel compounds in the plating process	PTI 20-86 S.C. 17, PTI 552- 86 S.C. 17, PTI 1138-89 S.C. 16	The special conditions cited here do not allow for any substitution of raw materials as stated in the original permit application. The plating lines no longer operate in the manner they were originally permitted for.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

During this inspection, it was noted that Marsh Plating had commenced operation of an unpermitted process at this facility. The AQD staff advised Marsh Plating on 8/8/2017, that this is a violation of Act 451, Rule 201.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the zinc nickel plating process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: www.michigan.gov/degair (in the shaded box on the upper right hand side of the page).

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 violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by 10/13/2017. 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 violations and the dates by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence.

If Marsh Plating 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 Marsh Plating. 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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Zack Durham Environmental Quality Analyst Air Quality Division 517-780-7851

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Mr. Scott Miller, DEQ cc/via e-mail: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ Mr. Chris Ethridge, DEQ Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ