

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
AIR QUALITY DIVISION  
ACTIVITY REPORT: Self Initiated Inspection

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FACILITY: VALLEY VIEW CONCRETE - Houghton		SRN / ID: N2477
LOCATION: HIGHWAY WEST M-26, HOUGHTON		DISTRICT: Upper Peninsula
CITY: HOUGHTON		COUNTY: HOUGHTON
CONTACT: Gary Moyle , Owner		ACTIVITY DATE: 07/26/2018
STAFF: Shamim Ahammod	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Conducted an unannounced inspection to determine Moyle Concrete compliance with the Permit to Install (PTI) No. 265-90A.		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

**FACILITY:** Valley View Concrete (SRN/ID: N2477)  
**INSPECTION DATE:** July 26, 2018  
**MDEQ-AQD Staff:** Shamim Ahammod, Environmental Engineer  
**FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE:** Ed Marcotte, Plant Manager

**INSPECTION:**

On July 26, 2018, I (Shamim Ahammod) conducted an unannounced inspection of Valley View Concrete located at highway west M-26, Houghton. I met with Ed Marcotte, Plant Manager. I told him the purpose of the inspection was to determine Valley View Concrete 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) No. 265-90A.

At the beginning of our meeting, we discussed the issued permit and provided environmental inspections: rights and responsibilities' brochure. After the brief discussion, we went on a brief walk through the plant to get an idea of the overall operations at the plant.

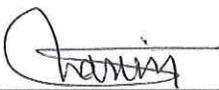
**SOURCE DESCRIPTION AND REGULATORY ANALYSIS:**

The plant produces concrete for residential and commercial needs. The facility has produced 4000 cubic yards of concrete so far this year. The concrete plant is operating under PTI#265-90A. There are two silos; one for cement dust and one for slag. Each silo has its own baghouse. Mr. Marcotte explained that baghouses were checked in July of this year. Spare bags are kept on hand for replacement, if necessary. Each baghouse utilizes a shaker to clean the bags. These were turned on and observed to be operational. This satisfies the permit conditions set forth in SC 17.

Per SC 19, "Applicant shall implement and maintain the program for fugitive dust control by watering the roads and yard on an as needed basis during the project duration." During the inspection day, I did not observe water spreading on the roads and yards because it was rainy day.

Per SC 15, "Visible emissions from the concrete plant shall not exceed a 6-minute average of 20% opacity." During the inspection, no visible emissions were observed. Mr. Marcotte told me that they keep pressure low to maintain baghouse emissions well. There are no homes adjacent to the plant, and we have no file record of dust complaints regarding this facility.

Via onsite inspection, review of records, and discussion with staff, the facility appeared to be in compliance with the conditions of issued permit no. 265-90A

NAME 

DATE 07-27-2018

SUPERVISOR 