

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT OFFICE



KEITH CREAGH DIRECTOR

July 6, 2016

Mr. Paul Sinko Chemico Systems, Inc. 50725 Richard West Boulevard Chesterfield, Michigan 48051

SRN: N5722, Macomb County

Dear Mr. Sinko:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On April 18, 2016, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Chemico Systems, Inc. located at 50725 Richard West Boulevard, Chesterfield, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Chemico Systems' 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 to investigate a recent complaint which we received on April 16, 2016, regarding smoke and foul odors attributed to Chemico Systems' operations.

During this inspection it was noted that Chemico Systems had installed and commenced operation of four unpermitted burn-off ovens at this facility. On April 21, 2016, Mr. Paul Sinko, Vice-President of Chemico Systems, agreed to have a site specific permit application submitted to the AQD within 30 days. The AQD received four general permit applications on June 27, 2016 for the burn-off ovens at Chemico Systems. The general permit may be used for no more than one burn-off oven at a stationary source. According to AQD staff, a rejection letter for the general permits was sent via email. The AQD staff advised Mr. Paul Sinko, on July 5, 2016, that failure to obtain a site-specific permit to install (PTI) for the burn-off ovens at Chemico Systems is a violation of Act 451, Rule 201.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the burn-off ovens process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website:

http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/nsr_information.shtml

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.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by July 27, 2016 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violation occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violation; whether the violation is 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 Chemico Systems 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 violation cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Chemico Systems. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Kerry Kelly Environmental Quality Analyst Air Quality Division 586-753-3746

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