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DIRECTOR

January 7, 2016

Mr. Mark Conti
Asama Coldwater Manufacturing
180 Asama Parkway
Coldwater, Michigan 49036

SRN: N5814, Branch County

Dear Mr. Conti:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On December 29, 2015, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), received a semi-annual visible emissions report from Asama Coldwater Manufacturing (Facility). Visible emission observations were conducted on December 9, 2015, to demonstrate compliance with the opacity limit in 40 CFR, 63.7690(a)(7), as specified in Renewable Operating Permit MI-ROP-N5814-2015.

Based on a review of the visible emissions report, staff of the AQD noted the following violation:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
EUMPCC-S1 and FG-NEWFOUNDRY-S1	MI-ROP-N5814-2015, Condition V.1; 40 CFR 63.7731(b)	Condition requires that subsequent performance tests to demonstrate compliance with the opacity limit in 40 CFR 63.7690(a) no less frequently than once every six months. The previous test was conducted on May 6, 2015. Therefore, the subsequent test should have been completed on or before November 6, 2015, but was not completed until December 9, 2015.

This process is also subject to the federal Nation Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Iron and Steel Foundries. These standards are found in 40 CFR, Part 63, Subpart EEEEE.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by January 28, 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 the Facility 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 cited violation. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this Facility into compliance, please contact me at the telephone number listed below.

Sincerely,



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Air Quality Division
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