

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



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December 27, 2018

Mr. Mike Woodward AbsolutAire 5496 North Riverview Drive Kalamazoo, Michigan 49004

SRN: N6518, Kalamazoo County

Dear Mr. Woodward:

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On December 19, 2018, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of AbsolutAire (Facility), located at 5496 North Riverview Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the Facility'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); and the Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the inspection, staff of the AQD observed the following:

	Rule/Permit	
Process Description	Condition Violated	Comments
Paint Booths	R 336.1287(2)(c) (Rule 287) and 336.1201(Rule 201)	The Facility failed to produce records for paint and solvent usage required by the Rule 287 exemption. Facility needs to keep monthly records to show compliance with an exemption or apply for a permit under Rule 201.

During the inspection, the Facility was unable to produce emission records to show compliance with an exemption for their paint booths. If the Facility cannot comply with an exemption, a Permit to Install (PTI) will be required.

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

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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 that 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 January 16, 2019 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). 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.

Please submit the written response to the DEQ, AQD, 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009; and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor, at the DEQ, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

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 violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of the Facility. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this Facility into compliance, please contact me at the telephone number listed below.

Sincerely,

Monica Brothers Environmental Quality Analyst Air Quality Division 269-567-3552

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Enclosure

cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, DEQ Mr. Christopher Ethridge, DEQ Ms. Jenine Camilleri, DEQ Mr. Rex Lane, DEQ