

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT OFFICE



C. HEIDI GRETHER DIRECTOR

August 9, 2018

Ms. Heather Lebeau Hearthside Food Solutions 2455 Oak Industrial Drive, N.E. Grand Rapids, MI 49505

SRN: N8270, Kent County

Dear Ms. Lebeau:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On July 31, 2018, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Hearthside Food Solutions located at 2455 Oak Industrial Drive, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Hearthside Food Solutions' 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 126-09A.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
National Dryer	Rule 201	Failure to obtain a permit to install.
Line 1	Rule 201	Failure to obtain a permit to install.
Line 215	Rule 201	Failure to obtain a permit to install.

During this inspection, it was noted that Hearthside Food Solutions had continued operations of unpermitted equipment at this facility. The AQD staff advised Hearthside Food Solutions on July 31, 2018, that this is a violation of Rule 201 of Act 451.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the three lines. 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)

Be advised that Rule 201 of Act 451 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. However, certain processes and process equipment may be exempt from obtaining a PTI. Act 451, Part 2, Air Use Approval, Rule 278 establishes requirements of eligibility for exemptions listed in Rules 280 through 291. To be eligible for a listed exemption, the owner or operator of an exempt process or exempt process equipment must be able to provide information demonstrating the applicability of the exemption.

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Rule 278(a), this demonstration should be provided with 30 days of a written request by the AQD and should include the following information:

- A description of the exempt process or process equipment, including the date of installation.
- The specific exemption being used by the process or processes equipment.
- An analysis demonstrating that Rule 278 does not apply to the process or process equipment.

The AQD requests that Hearthside Food Solutions either demonstrate that equipment at the facility is exempt from the requirements of Rule 201 or submit a PTI application for the subject equipment.

Some exemptions listed in Act 451, Part 2, Air Use Approval, Rule 280 through Rule 290, require their own recordkeeping. If your facility chooses to use an exemption requiring recordkeeping, please submit records that adequately demonstrate **ongoing** compliance.

The Michigan Air Pollution Control Rules can be accessed through the following website <u>www.michigan.gov/deqair</u>. Click on the "News & Info" tab; at the right side of the window, click on "State Air Laws and Rules," then "Air Pollution Control Rules." In addition, the DEQ, Environmental Assistance Center is available to answer questions at 1-800-662-9278. For your convenience, a digital copy of the Permit to Install Exemption Handbook can be found on the website under the "State Air Laws and Rules"; click on "Part 2, Exemptions, Rules 278 through 291."

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 30, 2018 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter) and the Rule 278a demonstration by September 10, 2018. The written response to the Violation Notice 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 Violation Notice and Rule 278a demonstration to the DEQ, AQD, Grand Rapids District, at 350 Ottawa Avenue NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 and submit a copy of the written response to the Violation Notice to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at the DEQ, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Hearthside Food Solutions 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.

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Thank you for your attention to resolving the violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Hearthside Food Solutions. 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,

April Lazzaro

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