

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY





September 30, 2021

Mr. Tyler Huntley G-M Wood Products 531 Clay Street Newaygo, Michigan 49337

Dear Mr. Huntley:

SRN: P0477, Newaygo County

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On September 9, 2021, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of G-M Wood Products located at 531 Clay Street, Newaygo, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine G-M Wood Products' 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 observed the following:

| Process Description     | Rule/Permit<br>Condition Violated | Comments                              |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wood Coating Operations | Rule 201                          | Operating without a Permit to Install |

During this inspection, it was noted that G-M Wood Products had installed and commenced operation of an unpermitted process at this facility. The AQD staff advised G-M Wood Products on September 9, 2021, that this is a violation of Rule 201 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

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

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 October 21, 2021 (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.

Please submit the written response to EGLE, AQD, Grand Rapids District, at 350 Ottawa Avenue NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If G-M Wood Products 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 G-M Wood Products. 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,

Michael Cox

**Environmental Quality Analyst** 

Air Quality Division 616-240-3607

Michael T. Cox

cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, EGLE

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