

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY





January 26, 2018

Mr. Paul VanElderen VanElderen, Inc. 2345 6th Street Shelbyville, Michigan 49344

Dear Mr. VanElderen:

SRN: P0728, Kalamazoo County

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On January 23, 2018, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted a complaint investigation of VanElderen, Inc. (Facility), located at 130 South Leja Drive, Vicksburg, 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); the Air Pollution Control Rules; and to investigate a recent complaint that the DEQ, AQD, received on January 23, 2018, regarding foul odors attributed to Facility operations.

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

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
EUROTARTYDRYER	R 336.1901 (Rule 901) and General Condition 6 of PTI No. 132-16	Strong and persistent odors were detected off-site.

In the professional judgment of AQD staff, the odors that were observed were of sufficient intensity, frequency, and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901 of Act 451, and General Condition Number 6 of PTI No. 132-16. The AQD staff detected odors in a residential area just east of the Facility.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by February 16, 2018 (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.

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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 violation cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my investigation. 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,

Monica Brothers

**Environmental Quality Analyst** 

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