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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
UPPER PENINSULA DISTRICT OFFICE



C. HEIDI GREETHER
DIRECTOR

December 19, 2016

Mr. Pat Tucker
Northwoods Environmental Industries, Inc.
34495 U.S. Hwy 45
Ontonagon, Michigan 49953 SRN: U661612621, Ontonagon County

Dear Mr. Tucker:

VIOLATION NOTICE

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division, received a complaint on December 3, 2016, concerning the alleged disposal of regulated solid waste potentially containing asbestos containing materials (ACM) on property located at 1 Superior Way, Ontonagon, Ontonagon County, Michigan. According to the complainant, the ACM is located in trucks at this facility.

During a phone conversation you had with OWMRP staff, Ms. Carolyn St. Cyr, on December 3, 2016, you stated that there is ACM waste at the site. Furthermore, on December 5, 2016, the DEQ staff received an email and phone call from you confirming that there is ACM waste stored in several enclosed box vans currently parked at the facility and that the ACM waste has been stored on site for approximately two years.

According to our investigation, you own the facility and Northwoods Environmental Industries, Inc. accumulated the ACM waste at the facility. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos holds both the owner and operator equally liable for violations.

The following regulations have been violated:

Process Description	Section Violated	Comments
Regulated Asbestos Containing Material waste stored for an excessive period of time	40 CFR 61.150(b)(1)	Failure to deposit asbestos containing waste material as soon as practical

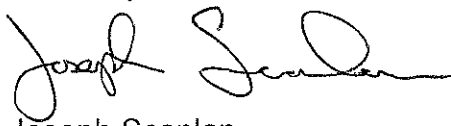
Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by Monday, January 9, 2016, (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violations occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violation; whether the violation is ongoing; copies of all generator and waste disposal manifests

relating to the ACM waste of concern, 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 you believe 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 your cooperation. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Scanlan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joseph" and last name "Scanlan" clearly distinguishable.

Joseph Scanlan
Air Quality Division
906-458-6405

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cc: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ
Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ
Mr. Chris Ethridge, DEQ
Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ
Ms. Karen Kajiya-Mills, DEQ
Ms. Carolyn St. Cyr, DEQ