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January 10, 2020

Mr. John Lancaster, Plant Manager  
General Motors, LLC - Saginaw Metal Casting  
1629 North Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, Michigan 48601

SRN: B1991, Saginaw County

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

### **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On December 10, 2019, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), had a conference call with General Motors, LLC – Saginaw Metal Casting (GM SMCO) to discuss EU-SPMCASTLINE4 finishing operations and the Permit to Install application for 36-12I.

During the conversation, we learned that two mist collectors had been installed on the finishing operations and exhausted to the outer air. The finishing operations were originally exhausted internal to the plant environment. The tie into the external exhaust occurred on November 1, 2019.

During the conference call, it was discussed that GM SMCO had modified Section 3 (finishing operations) of EU-SPMCASTLINE4 at this facility. The physical change of exhausting the finishing operations to atmosphere increased the amount of air contaminant emitted into the outer air, which was not already allowed to be emitted under the conditions of a permit. Therefore, this is a violation of Rule 201 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the EU-SPMCASTLINE4 process equipment. An application form is available by request or at the following website: [www.michigan.gov/air](http://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.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by January 31, 2020 (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

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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, Bay City District, at 401 Ketchum Street, Bay City, Michigan 48708 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If GM SMC0 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. 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 cursive script, reading "Gina L. McCann".

Gina L. McCann  
Senior Environmental Quality Analyst  
Air Quality Division  
989-439-2282

cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE  
Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, EGLE  
Ms. Jenine Camilleri, EGLE  
Mr. Christopher Ethridge, EGLE  
Mr. Chris Hare, EGLE