



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
 SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN DISTRICT OFFICE



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August 27, 2015

Ms. Brandy Werner  
 Umicore Automotive Catalysts  
 2347 Commercial Drive  
 Auburn Hills, MI 48326

SRN: N7864, Oakland County

Dear Ms. Werner:

**VIOLATION NOTICE**

On August 7, 2015, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Umicore Automotive Catalysts located at 2347 Commercial Drive, Auburn Hills, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Umicore'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); and the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) number 300-07A.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Burner-based exhaust generation unit	R 336.1201	Unpermitted combustion equipment

**- RULE 201 VIOLATION**

During this inspection, it was noted that Umicore Automotive Catalysts had installed and commenced operation of an unpermitted burner-based exhaust generation unit at this facility. The AQD staff advised Umicore Automotive Catalysts on August 17, 2015, that this is a violation of Act 451, Rule 201.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the burner-based exhaust generation process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website:

[http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/nsr\\_information.shtml](http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/nsr_information.shtml)

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.

**- RESPONSE/COMPLIANCE PROGRAM/CONCLUSION**

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by September 17, 2015 (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.

If Umicore 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 Umicore Automotive Catalysts. 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,



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