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Mr. Thomas Maza
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RE: Response to November 10, 2015 Violation Notice

Dear Mr. Maza:

EES Coke Battery, LLC (EES Coke) is in receipt of a Violation Notice issued by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD). The Notice, dated November 10, 2015 alleges that EES failed to continuously monitor the emission rates of CO, NO_x and SO₂ as reported in EES Coke's 2015 third quarter excess emission report.

The continuous emissions rate monitoring system (CERMS) downtime problems during this period were related to the ongoing difficulties reliably operating the CERMS being corrected by Consent Order No. 57-2014 which became effective January 8, 2015. This Consent Order establishes a schedule of corrective actions for EES Coke to improve the operational performance of its continuous emissions rate monitoring system (CERMS). All corrective actions required under the Consent Order were timely completed in October 2015.

Implementation of the Consent Order upgrades to the CERMS is expected to improve operating reliability of the system and has corrected the downtime identified by EES Coke's third quarter excess emissions report. EES Coke believes the completion of this compliance plan will minimize CERMS downtime going forward.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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