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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



C. HEIDI GREYER  
DIRECTOR

October 31, 2017

Mr. Duane Purvis  
Darling Ingredients, Inc.  
600 Jay Street  
Coldwater, Michigan 49036

SRN: B1526, Branch County

Dear Mr. Purvis:

**VIOLATION NOTICE**

On October 24, 2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted a complaint investigation of Darling Ingredients, Inc. (Facility), located at 600 Jay Street, Coldwater, Michigan. The purpose of this investigation was to investigate a recent complaint that the DEQ, AQD, received on October 21, 2017, regarding foul odors attributed to the Facility's operations.

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

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Rendering	R336.1901 (Rule 901)	Strong rendering odors were present at the complainant's location.

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, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (copy enclosed). The AQD staff detected odors in an area northeast of the Facility.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by November 20, 2017. 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 recurrence.

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.

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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 telephone number listed below.

Sincerely,



Dennis Dunlap  
Environmental Quality Specialist  
Air Quality Division  
269-567-3553

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cc: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ  
Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ  
Mr. Christopher Ethridge, DEQ  
Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ  
Ms. Mary Douglas, DEQ