

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT OFFICE



March 23, 2018

Mr. Robert Mason Post Foods, LLC 275 Cliff Street Battle Creek, Michigan 49014

Dear Mr. Mason:

SRN: B1548, Calhoun County

VIOLATION NOTICE

On March 15, 2018, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), received semi-annual and annual Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) Report Certifications and Deviation Reports from Post Foods, LLC (Facility), to demonstrate compliance with Conditions 19, 20, 21, and 23 of MI-ROP-B1548-2014d and 40 CFR 64.9(a)(2).

Based on a review of these reports, AQD staff noted the following violations:

	Rule/Permit	_
Process Description	Condition Violated	Comments
FG2983CoatOxdOn	R 336.1910 (Rule 910) and MI- ROP-B1548-2014d, Condition IV.2	The catalytic oxidizer is not being maintained and operated in a satisfactory manner. Excessive downtime was reported in semiannual and annual ROP Report Certifications and Deviation Reports.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by April 13, 2018 (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 violations; whether the violations are ongoing; a summary of the actions that have been taken and are proposed to be taken to correct the violations and the dates by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence.

In addition to the written response, please submit an updated Malfunction Abatement Plan for the catalytic oxidizer.

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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.

Thank you for your attention to resolving the violations cited above. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this Facility into compliance, please contact me at the telephone number listed below.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Quality Analyst

Air Quality Division

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cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ

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Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ

Ms. Mary Douglas, DEQ