



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY



GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

LANSING

LIESL EICHLER CLARK
DIRECTOR

October 5, 2021

VIA E-MAIL AND UPS NEXT DAY DELIVERY

Mr. Tyler Hill
Grede, LLC – Iron Mountain
801 South Carpenter Avenue
Kingsford, Michigan 49802

SRN: B1577; Dickinson County

Dear Mr. Hill:

SUBJECT: Consent Order AQD No. 2021-01, Stipulated Fines

On January 14, 2021, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), and Grede, LLC (Company) entered into a Stipulation for Entry of Final Order by Consent (Consent Order) AQD No. 2021-01.

In a Violation Notice dated February 19, 2021, the AQD cited the Company for exceeding the PM10 emission limit from the Cupola during a December 15-17, 2020, stack test, which is a violation of the terms and conditions of the Consent Order.

Paragraph 10.A of the Consent Order puts forth the following condition:

“On and after the effective date of this Consent Order, the Company shall comply with the CO and PM10 emission limits as specified in EU-P009 CUPOLA, Conditions I.1, I.3, and I.5 of ROP No. MI-ROP-B1577-2020, as amended.”

Furthermore, Paragraph 19 of the Consent Order reads, in part:

“On and after the date of this Consent Order, if the Company fails to comply with paragraphs 9.A, 10.A, 11.A.5, 11.C.2, 13.A, 14.A, or 14.B of this Consent Order, the Company is subject to a stipulated fine of up to \$1,000.00 per violation per day”.

To date, this violation is still ongoing as the Company has not conducted a performance test to verify compliance with the PM10 emission limit from the Cupola. The Company notified the AQD on March 15, 2021, that it would be submitting an application for a permit modification to address the PM10 emission limit. The Company has yet to submit to the AQD a complete application, as noted in an email by the AQD permit staff on August 26, 2021.

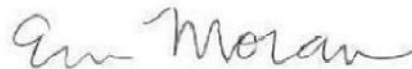
Mr. Tyler Hill
Page 2
October 5, 2021

After reviewing the Violation Notice, the Company's response to the Violation Notice, and correspondence between the company and the AQD regarding the permit application, the Company has been out of compliance with the PM10 emission limit from the Cupola from January 14, 2021, to at least September 30, 2021. Therefore, the AQD has determined the amount of stipulated fines for exceeding the PM10 emission limit to be \$260,000. Since the Company continues to be out of compliance with the PM10 emission limit from the Cupola, the payment of this stipulated fine does not preclude the AQD from assessing additional stipulated fines for noncompliance with the PM10 emission limit from the Cupola from the date of this letter forward.

Please note that the AQD is evaluating the violations of the Consent Order alleged in the July 15, 2021, Violation Notice and the AQD's recent inspection of the facility and will be issuing a separate stipulated fine letter to the Company at a later date.

The Company is hereby requested to submit the stipulated fines of \$260,000 in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 19 of Consent Order AQD No. 2021-01, by November 4, 2021. To ensure proper credit, all payments shall include the Agreement Identification No. AQD40254-S on the face of the check. Stipulated fines submitted under this Consent Order shall be made by check, payable to the "State of Michigan" and mailed to the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Accounting Services Division, Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30657, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8157.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT
LAKES, AND ENERGY



By: _____
Erin Moran
Enforcement Unit, Air Quality Division

Date: 10/5/2021

cc: Mr. Neil Gordon, Michigan Department of Attorney General
Mr. Ed Lancaster, EGLE
Ms. Jenine Camilleri, EGLE
Mr. Michael Conklin, EGLE