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Subject:

Response to B2876 VN 20230314 Dated March 14, 2023

Michigan Sugar Company - Croswell Factory

Dear Mr. Hare and Ms. Camilleri,

I am writing on behalf of Michigan Sugar Company (MSC) in response to the March 14, 2023, Violation Notice (VN) issued by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). In that VN, EGLE alleged a violation of R 336.1201 based on unpermitted emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and Carbon Monoxide (CO) in the pulp dryer at that facility. MSC disputes that is has violated R 336.1201, which is repeated below for ease of reference.

R 336.1201 Permits to install.

Rule 201. (1) Except as allowed in R 336.1202, R 336.1277 to R 336.1291, or R 336.2823(15) a person shall not <u>install</u>, <u>construct</u>, <u>reconstruct</u>, <u>relocate</u>, or <u>modify</u> any process or process equipment, including control equipment pertaining thereto, which may emit any of the following, unless a permit to install that authorizes such action is issued by the department.

- (a) Any air pollutant regulated by title I of the clean air act and its associated rules, including 40 C.F.R. §51.165 and §51.166, adopted by reference in R 336.1902.
- (b) Any air contaminant.

The pulp dryer(s) at issue in the VN were not <u>installed</u>, <u>constructed</u>, <u>reconstructed</u>, <u>relocated</u> or <u>modified</u> at any point in time after the promulgation of R 336.1201(1). As a result, disputes that it violated R 336.1201.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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