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DIRECTOR

August 2, 2023

Bill Kleine
Korex Corporation
50000 Pontiac Trail
Wixom, MI 48393

SRN: B5619, Oakland County

Dear Bill Kleine:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 27, 2023, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Korex Corporation located at 50000 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Korex Corporation's compliance with the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act; Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451); the Air Pollution Control Rules; and to investigate a recent complaint which we received on June 26, 2023, regarding odors attributed to Korex Corporation's operations.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Detergent odor	Michigan Air Pollution Control Rule 901	While conducting odor observations downwind of Korex, staff experienced distinct, identifiable detergent odors six times, for up to 5 seconds in duration, in the span of less than 30 minutes.

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 the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451 (General Condition 8 of PTI number 539-96).

The AQD staff detected odors along Wixom Road, Pontiac Trail, and Manistee Street, downwind at the time of observations.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 23, 2023 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the

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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 reoccurrence.

Please submit the written response to EGLE, AQD, Warren District, at 27700 Donald Court, Warren, Michigan 48092 and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Korex Corporation 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 violation cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Korex Corporation. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number or email listed below.

Sincerely,



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