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DIRECTOR

June 7, 2022

UPS NEXT DAY DELIVERY

**ENFORCEMENT NOTICE**

In the matter of:

Ajax Metal Processing, Inc.  
4651 Bellevue Street  
Detroit, Michigan 48207

SRN: B5830; Wayne County

ATTENTION: Frank Buono

This letter is to advise you of the commencement of escalated enforcement action against Ajax Metal Processing, Inc. (Company). This letter follows the April 12, 2022, Violation Notice (VN) issued by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), which detailed violations of the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Surface Coating of Miscellaneous Metal Parts and Products, Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 63, Subpart MMMM; Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA), MCL 324.5501 *et seq.*; and the conditions of Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) No. MI-ROP-B5380-2015b.

The alleged violations against the Company are federally enforceable and are considered a High Priority Violation (HPV) by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The HPV designation means that the EPA places a priority on enforcing the regulations governing this violation and on formally resolving alleged violations of this type. The AQD is required to report all HPVs to the EPA, pursuant to the state's grant commitments with the EPA and the state's delegated enforcement authority of the federal Clean Air Act.

The AQD is providing the Company with an opportunity to formally resolve these violations through the entry of a legally enforceable agreement that will include a compliance program and payment of an appropriate monetary penalty pursuant to Section 5528 of Part 55 of NREPA, MCL 324.5528.

Be advised that failure to respond to this Enforcement Notice in a timely manner and adequately resolve or address the cited violations may result in further enforcement proceedings, including but not limited to, referral of the matter to the Michigan Department of Attorney General (MDAG) for commencement of civil litigation. This Enforcement Notice does not preclude or limit EGLE's ability to initiate any other enforcement action under federal or state law as appropriate.

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Please contact me at 517-275-0883, or by email at [MoranE@Michigan.gov](mailto:MoranE@Michigan.gov), no later than June 17, 2022, to schedule a meeting to discuss the resolution of this matter.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Air Quality Division, Enforcement Unit

Date: 6/7/2022

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