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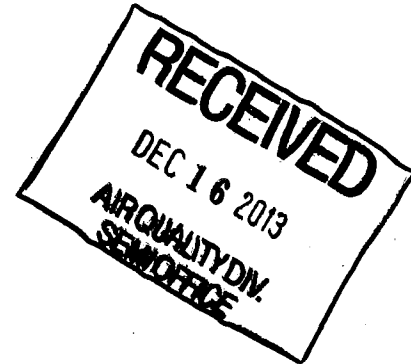
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Bob, please find attached the written response from Kar Nut Products Co. regarding the foul odor complaint violation received on 11-26-13 from inspection conducted on 10-25-13. This is a written version of the conversations that we have been having regularly via phone. As stated, Kar's wants to be a good neighbor and will do what is reasonable to reduce issues we may be causing.

Regards,
Dan

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December 16th, 2013

Robert Elmouchi
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Mr. Robert Elmouchi

I am writing this letter to follow up on the violation notice that Kar Nut Products received on November 26, 2013. This violation notice was received by Kar's after an inspection was conducted on October 25, 2013. The purpose of this inspection was to determine if Kar Nut Products Company was in compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act; Part 55, Air Pollution Control. During this inspection Kar's was noted to have violated R 336.1901(b). The comment made by the inspector was that "The intensity, frequency and duration of foul odors from Kar Nut Products Company has resulted in unreasonable interference with the comfortable enjoyment of life and property". Kar Nut Products Company is continuing to receive complaints called into the Department of Environmental Quality from our neighbor at 1410 E. 14 Mile Rd. directly to the East of our facility on 14 Mile Road. Kar Nut Products Company has been in constant contact with the Environmental Quality Analyst to insure him that we are working to resolve any issue that may constitute any additional violation issues.

In response to the citation, I would like to first point out that the equipment, procedures and practices that Kar Nut Products Company employs in its production process is virtually unchanged from the time we first occupied this facility 9 years ago. Throughout this time we have never received any comments about smell or odors prior to this recent string of complaints, which appear to be from a single individual. We do take comments aimed at our facility seriously and are willing to take reasonable corrective steps to prevent any known issues.

At this time we are not aware of the cause of the intermittent and infrequent odors that are causing our neighbor to file complaints. With that being stated, we are consulting with an Engineering firm presently to assist us in evaluating whether an issue exists that is possibly contributing to foul odors being emitted from our building.

Dan Bailey, Director of Operations