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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

WARREN DISTRICT OFFICE



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September 9, 2021

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Ed Barriager Environmental Manager Tribar Technologies Inc 48668 Alpha Drive Wixom, MI 48393

SRN: P0727, Oakland County

Dear Mr. Barriager:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On July 16, 2021, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Tribar Technologies located at 48668 Alpha Drive, Wixom, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Tribar'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 the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) number 121-16.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

	Rule/Permit	
Process Description	Condition Violated	Comments
Acid etch process	PTI No. 121-16 EUSYSTEM2 Special Condition III.2	The condition requires the permittee to maintain a surface tension of 35 dynes/cm and under for tanks 5 and 6 in EUSYSTEM2. The surface tension records provided showed that the limit was exceeded multiple times between January 2019 and July 2021.
Various metal treating tanks, including plating and stripping tanks, that do not contain chromium.	PTI No. 121-16 FGSYSTEMS Special Condition IV.1	The facility must operate the controls in FGSYSTEMS in a satisfactory manner. This includes the pressure drops of the controls being monitored and being within a set range. The pressure drop records provided show a number of exceedances of the set range.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by September 30, 2021 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violations occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violation; whether the violations are ongoing; a summary of the actions that have been taken and are proposed to be taken to correct the violations 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 Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

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

Sincerely,

Joseph Forth Environmental Quality Analyst Air Quality Division 586-217-1435

cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, EGLE Ms. Jenine Camilleri, EGLE Mr. Christopher Ethridge, EGLE Ms. Joyce Zhu, EGLE