

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

BAY CITY DISTRICT OFFICE



SRN: P1291, Isabella County

July 12, 2022

Jason Dawes, Facilities Manager Bandit Industries 6750 Millbrook Road Remus, Michigan 49340

Dear Jason Dawes:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 9, 2022, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Bandit Industries - North Winn Manufacturing Facility located at 3372 West Walton Road, Winn, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Bandit Industries' 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); and the Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

	Rule/Permit	
Process Description	Condition Violated	Comments
Cleaning / Pretreatment	Rule 201 (1)	The pre-treatment material contains phosphoric acid so exemption 285(2)(I)(iii) cannot be used.

During this inspection, it was noted that Bandit Industries had installed a cleaning / pretreatment operation at this facility. AQD staff advised Bandit on June 9, 2022, that this is a violation of Rule 201 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

A program for compliance may include a completed permit to install application for the cleaning / pre-treatment process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: <a href="www.michigan.gov/air">www.michigan.gov/air</a>. Alternatively, another option may be demonstrating a specific permit exemption applies.

Be advised that Rule 201 requires that a permit be obtained prior to installation, construction, operation, reconstruction, relocation, or alteration of any process or process equipment which may be a source of an air contaminant.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 2, 2022 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the 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, Bay City District, at 401 Ketchum Street, Suite B, Bay City, Michigan 48708 and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Bandit Industries 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 Bandit Industries' North Winn Manufacturing Facility. If you have any questions regarding the violation or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Ben Witkopp

Environmental Engineer Air Quality Division

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cc: Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, EGLE Jenine Camilleri, EGLE Christopher Ethridge, EGLE

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