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UPPER PENINSULA DISTRICT OFFICE



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DIRECTOR

June 22, 2017

Mr. Rich Huotari
Aspirus Ironwood Hospital
N10561 Grandview Lane
Ironwood, Michigan 49938

SRN: U271703367, Gogebic County

Dear Mr. Huotari:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 1, 2017, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division, conducted an inspection of Aspirus Ironwood Hospital located at N10561 Grandview Lane, Ironwood, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 61, Subpart M (National Emission Standard for Asbestos), and Rule 942 of Part 55, Air Pollution Control of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

According to our investigation, Aspirus Network, Inc., owns the facility and Ross Peterson Construction performed the demolition activities at the facility. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos holds both the owner and operator equally liable for violations.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Section Violated	Comments
Demolition began 10 days prior to Start	40 CFR 61.145(b)(1)	Failure to provide 10 working day notification
Date on Notification	40 CFR 61.145(b)(2)	Failure to update notice

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by July 13, 2017, (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 violations; 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.

If Aspirus Network, Inc., 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 Aspirus Ironwood Hospital. 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 Scanlan
NESHAP Asbestos Inspector
Air Quality Division
Upper Peninsula District
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cc: Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ
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Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ
Ms. Karen Kajiya-Mills, DEQ
Mr. Ed Lancaster, DEQ