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Jeremy Howe EGLE, AQD P.O. Box 30260 Lansing, MI 48909-7760

RE: SRN/ID U322404923; Huron County

#### RESPONSE TO VIOLATION NOTICE

Jeremy:

On September 5, 2024, the Huron County Community Foundation received a violation notice from EGLE, AQD. This letter is intended to acknowledge and address the steps taken to ensure best practices as we move forward.

The Huron County Community Foundation (HCCF) is a nonprofit organization created by and for the people of Huron County to enhance the quality of life. HCCF invests in our community annually through grants and scholarships. 101 N Port Crescent Ave. represents the first ever property that HCCF has owned in our organization's thirty-year existence.

The demolition of 101 N. Port Crescent commenced on July 15, 2024. The cause of the violation was a misunderstanding of the NESHAP requirements by parties involved. In February 2023, the Huron County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, in consultation with EGLE, contracted for removal of asbestos from the property. The entire property was abated by early March 2023. At that time, HCCF, as property owner, believed that the abatement activities had satisfied NESHAP requirements for the site and that demolition activities could proceed. HCCF included in the bid specifications that all permits and notices were the responsibility of the contractor, but NESHAP was not explicitly stated. The violation is not ongoing.

For **good**. For **ever**.º



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To correct and prevent a recurrence, the following steps were taken. After Mr. Dechy came to the Price HCCF offices on August 14, 2024, I reviewed the NESHAP documentation Fact Sheet provided by Mr. Dechy. This helped me better understand the violation and ensure that I had a full understanding of protocol should HCCF purchase additional property. Additionally, at the September 4, 2024 meeting of the HCCF Board of Directors, the visit from Mr. Dechy was discussed and the Board was briefed on the potential violation (the violation notice was not received by HCCF until September 5) and provided with additional information on how to avoid a recurrence. With the Board and the Executive Director more fully aware of the conditions of NESHAP, I am confident that it will not again be an issue.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this violation. If there are any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 989-269-2850 or <a href="mackenzie@huroncounty.com">mackenzie@huroncounty.com</a>

Sincerely,

Mackenzie Price Executive Director

CC: Jason Wolf, Enforcement Unit at EGLE, AQD



