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VIA USPS

Samantha Schnettler
Huron County Economic
Development Corporation
250 East Huron Avenue, Room 303
Bad Axe, Michigan 48413

Pat Rooney
Rooney Contracting Company, Inc.
525 East Soper Road
Bad Axe, Michigan 48413

SRN/ID: U322404923; Huron County

Dear Samantha and Pat:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On August 14, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD) conducted a complaint investigation at 101 North Port Crescent Street, Bad Axe, Huron County. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR), 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 my investigation, Huron County Economic Development Corporation owns the facility and Rooney Contracting Company, Inc. performed the demolition activities. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos (NESHAP) may hold both the *owner and operator* liable for all violations.

During the inspection, EGLE, AQD staff observed the following:

The former commercial building was demolished and only the foundation remained. Both the Huron County Economic Development Corporation and Rooney Contracting Company, Inc. failed to submit the Notice of Intent to Renovate/Demolish to the administrator prior to the demolition activities.

Process Description	Section Violated	Comments
On 8/13/2024, a complaint was received regarding a demolition at 101 N. Crescent St., Bad Axe. On 8/14/2024, an investigation of the facilities was performed. Upon arrival, the facility was demoed.	40 CFR §61.145(b)(1)	Failed to provide the administrator with written notice of intention to demolish or renovate.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this violation notice by September 13, 2024. The written response should include: the date(s) 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 date(s) by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. The *signed* written response to this violation notice, may be submitted by mail and directed to Jeremy Howe at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760. You must also include a copy to Jason Wolf, Enforcement Unit at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760. The response may be scanned and e-mailed to HoweJ1@Michigan.gov and WolfJ2@Michigan.gov.

If you believe the above observations or statements are inaccurate or do not constitute a violation 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 extended to me during our conversation. If you have any questions regarding the violation notice or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at 517-749-2891; DechyC@Michigan.gov; or at the post office box address provided in the paragraph above.

Sincerely,



Craig W. Dechy
Senior Environmental Quality Analyst
Air Quality Division

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