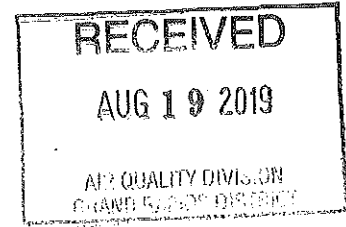


Valley City Linen
10 Diamond Ave SE
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August 15, 2019



Mr. Adam Shaffer
Ms. Jenine Camilleri
EGLE, AQD

Dear Mr. Shaffer,

This letter is in response to the violation notice mailed to our company on August 1.

On June 6, 2019 you visited our operation and observed some lint particulate on the rooftop adjacent to our dryer exhaust vents. The dryers and lint collection devices you observed were installed in March of 2019 and became operational in early to mid-April. There are six dryers that replaced previous versions of the same type of equipment, although with a different type of lint collection system. The old type of lint collector was a single system that collected all the lint from the six dryers. The new system has six individual collectors (one for each dryer) inside of the building instead of on the roof. We were told by the manufacturer that they collect 98 to 99 percent of the lint. We had been at odds with the manufacturer since the installation because we did notice lint on our roof. Some of the lint was penetrating through the filters and settling on the roof. Our maintenance crew was sweeping and vacuuming the lint weekly from mid-April until the manufacturer created a temporary solution on July 11, 2019 and then finally made the proper corrections to the problem on August 12, 2019.

The temporary solution installed on July 11, 2019 was to place a large lint sock over the rooftop vents on each of the six dryers. These socks catch the lint that was escaping the filters and eliminated the issue. They also changed the screens inside the filters from the original 420 micron steel to 220 micron screens.

On August 12, 2019 new screens were installed inside two of the six lint filters. They are testing these screens that are 200 microns. They also made software changes to the dryers that change the timing and duration of the lint removal process.

The lint socks will remain in place until all the final adjustments are made to ensure that no lint escapes the filtering process.

Additionally, our maintenance department is checking the rooftop during each shift to ensure that the devices are working correctly and no lint is escaping.

Sincerely,
Gregory Jeltema

President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "G. Jeltema", written over the printed name "Gregory Jeltema". The signature is stylized and extends across the line for the name.