

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT OFFICE



February 28, 2020

Mr. Fred Spruit Spruit Brothers Inc. 550 Richmond Street NW Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504

Dear Mr. Spruit:

SRN: U411900090, Kent County

VIOLATION NOTICE

On February 11, 2020, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Spruit Brothers Inc. located at 550 Richmond Street NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Spruit Brothers Inc.'s 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); the Air Pollution Control Rules; and to investigate a recent complaint which we received on February 11, 2020, regarding opacity and odors attributed to onsite operations.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Wood Burning Stove	Rule 901(b)	Nuisance odors

In the professional judgment of AQD staff, the odors that were observed were of sufficient intensity, frequency and duration so as to constitute a violation of Rule 901 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451. The odors were detected in the residential area east of the Spruit Brothers Inc. site.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by March 20, 2020 (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.

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Please submit the written response to EGLE, AQD, Grand Rapids District, at 350 Ottawa Avenue NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Spruit Brothers 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 violation cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Spruit Brothers Inc. 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,

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cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, EGLE

Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, EGLE

Ms. Jenine Camilleri, EGLE

Mr. Christopher Ethridge, EGLE

Ms. Heidi Hollenbach, EGLE