

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

UPPER PENINSULA DISTRICT OFFICE



February 22, 2019

Mr. Brad Aldrich OcuGlass 51804 Industrial Drive Calumet, Michigan 49913

SRN: U421902331, Keweenaw County

Dear Mr. Aldrich:

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On February 7, 2019, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of OcuGlass located at 51804 Industrial Drive, Calumet, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine OcuGlass'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.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Acid-etched process tanks with emissions vented to the atmopshere. A scrubber is being utilized to control acid emissions.	R 336.1201	Equipment installed without receiving a Permit to Install (PTI).

During this inspection, it was noted that OcuGlass had installed and commenced operation of unpermitted equipment at this facility. The AQD staff advised OcuGlass on February 7, 2019, that this is a violation of Rule 201 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451.

A program for compliance may include a completed PTI application for the acid-etched process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: www.michigan.gov/deqair (in the shaded box on the upper right-hand side of the page).

Be advised that Rule 201 requires that a permit be obtained prior to installation, construction, operation, reconstruction, relocation, or alteration of any process or process equipment which may be a source of an air contaminant.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by March 14, 2019 (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.

Please submit the written response to the DEQ, AQD, Upper Peninsula District, at 1504 West Washington Street, Marquette, Michigan 49855 and submit a copy to Ms. Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at the DEQ, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If OcuGlass 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 OcuGlass. 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, Milwell Milling

Michael Conklin Environmental Engineer

Air Quality Division

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cc: Ms. Mary Ann Dolehanty, DEQ

Dr. Eduardo Olaguer, DEQ

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Ms. Jenine Camilleri, DEQ

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