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DIRECTOR

September 13, 2019

Mr. Thomas M. Carlson
Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness
277 South Maple Street
Grant, Michigan 49327

SRN: U621903862, Newaygo County

Dear Mr. Carlson:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On August 29, 2019, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness located at 277 South Maple Street, Grant, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness' 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); and the Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Two blenders and associated load out process equipment	Rule 201	Operating without an air use permit to install

During this inspection, it was noted that Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness had installed and commenced operation of unpermitted processes at this facility. The AQD staff advised Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness on September 5, 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 two blenders and associated loadout process equipment. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: www.michigan.gov/air (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.

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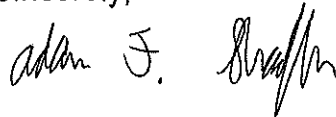
Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by October 4, 2019 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violation occurred; an explanation of the 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 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 Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness 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 Wilbur-Ellis Agribusiness. 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
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Mr. Christopher Ethridge, EGLE
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