

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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SRN: U821604653, Wayne County

Dear Mses. Patterson and Bascos and Messrs. Brown and Wright:

## VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 15 and 16, 2016, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of the residential property located at 12649 Glenfield, Detroit. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Brown Environmental Construction's, the City of Detroit Office of Contracting and Procurement's, the Detroit Building Authority's and the Detroit Lank Bank Authority's compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 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 our investigation, the Detroit Land Bank Authority owns the property and Brown Environmental Construction performed the demolition activities at the site. The City of Detroit Office of Contracting and Procurement is the contract holder, and the Detroit Building Authority oversees the City of Detroit's demolition program. The vacant residence was demolished as part of a project to remove blight within the City of Detroit. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos holds both the owner and operators equally liable for violations.

During the inspection, DEQ AQD staff discovered that the structure had been demolished on June 2, 2016. The structure was demolished prior to removal of regulated asbestos containing materials. Cementitious asbestos-siding was discovered in the demolition debris pile and was made friable during the demolition of the residential property. This material was not listed in the asbestos survey conducted for the structure.

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| <b>Process Description</b>   | Section Violated   | Comments  |
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| Demolition of the<br>residential property<br>located at 12649<br>Glenfield, Detroit. | §61.145(a)(1), DEQ AQD<br>Consent Order 25-2013.               | Failure to thoroughly inspect for asbestos.                                       |
|  | §61.145(b)(3)(iv)(A)(2),<br>DEQ AQD Consent Order 25-<br>2013. | Failure to update start date of demolition.                                       |
|  | §61.145(c)(1),<br>DEQ AQD Consent Order 25-<br>2013.           | Failure to remove RACM prior to demolition.                                       |
|  | §61.145(c)(4),<br>DEQ AQD Consent Order 25-<br>2013.           | Failure to contain in leak tight container.                                       |
|  | §61.150(b)(1), DEQ AQD<br>Consent Order 25-2013                | Failure to deposit asbestos<br>containing waste material as<br>soon as practical. |

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by July 12, 2016 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the dates the violations occurred; an explanation of the causes and duration of the violations; whether the violations are ongoing; a summary of the actions that have been taken and are proposed to be taken to correct the violations and the dates by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. The <u>signed</u> written response to this violation notice may be submitted by mail and directed to my attention at: DEQ, 3058 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 2-300, Detroit Michigan, 48202, or scanned and sent as an e-mail attachment to <u>bellt4@michigan.gov</u>. Please note that **all** parties should provide a response to this violation notice.

If Brown Environmental Construction, the City of Detroit Office of Contracting & Procurement, the Detroit Building Authority, and/or the Detroit Land Bank Authority believe 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.

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Thank you for your attention to resolving the violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to us during our inspection of 12649 Glenfield, Detroit. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this residence into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely.

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