

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY



DETROIT DISTRICT OFFICE

November 30, 2021

SRN: U822104244, Wayne County

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Detroit Demolition Program
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Detroit, MI 48226

Mr. Tom Holmberg Quality Environmental & Demolition LLC 11309 Messmore Road Utica, MI 48317

Ms. Saskia Thompson The Detroit Land Bank Authority 500 Griswold St., Suite 1200 Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Ms. Counts, Ms. Thompson, and Mr. Holmberg:

## **VIOLATION NOTICE**

On November 4, and 9, 2021, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of the residential property located at 9562 Prairie Street, Detroit. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 61, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), Subpart M and Rule 942 of the administrative rules promulgated under 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, the Detroit Demolition Department manages the City of Detroit's demolition program and Quality Environmental & Demolition LLC performed the renovation activities at the subject property. The NESHAP for Asbestos holds the owner and operators liable for violations.

During the inspection, AQD staff observed the following: The post abatement verification inspection conducted on October 25, 2021, identified the house as cleared for demolition. AQD identified approximately 160 square feet of plaster that had not been abated as part of the plaster removal. In addition, ACM plaster debris was identified on the floor in several areas of the house and the roof. The plaster tested positive for asbestos.

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| Process Description         | Section Violated           | Comments                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Post abatement              | 40 CFR 61.145(a)           | Failure to thoroughly inspect |
| inspection of a residential | Consent Judgement          | for the presence of asbestos  |
| structure. RACM             | No. 18-862, Section 5.1(a) | containing materials.         |
| remained in place in the    | 40 CFR 61.145(c)(1)        | Failure to remove RACM.       |
| building, and dry RACM      | Consent Judgement          |                               |
| debris was identified in    | No. 18-862, Section 5.1(g) |                               |
| several areas of the        | 40 CFR 61.145(c)(6)(i)     | Failure to wet RACM that has  |
| building.                   | Consent Judgement          | been stripped.                |
|                             | No. 18-862, Section 5.1(i) |                               |

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a signed written response to this Violation Notice by December 19, 2021 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The 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.

Please submit the written response to Mr. Jeffrey Benya at EGLE, AQD, 3058 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 2-300, Detroit, Michigan 48202 or benyaj@michigan.gov and submit a copy to Mr. Jason Wolf, Enforcement Unit at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760 or wolfj2@michigan.gov.

If the City of Detroit, the Detroit Land Bank Authority or Quality Environmental & Demolition LLC believes the above observations or statements are inaccurate or do not constitute violations of the applicable legal requirements cited, please provide factual information to explain your position.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Benya

**Environmental Quality Analyst** 

Air Quality Division 313-618-0372

Enclosure: EGLE sample results

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