

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY DETROIT DISTRICT OFFICE



January 30, 2024

Hussain Aljalehawy, Owner 9260 Freeland Street Detroit, Michigan 48228

Dear Hussain Aljalehawy:

SRN: U822307465, Wayne County

VIOLATION NOTICE

On January 11, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), investigated a recent complaint which we received on January 11, 2024 regarding open burning attributed to the buildings located at 9260 Freeland Street, Detroit, Michigan. The purpose of this investigation was to determine the facility'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); and the Michigan Air Pollution Control Rules.

During the complaint investigation, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Open burning	Rule 310(1)	Open burning of untreated lumber within a dumpster on site.

On January 11, 2024, AQD staff observed open burning of untreated lumber within a dumpster. The burning appeared to be related to the cleanup and renovation of the recently purchased buildings located at 9260 Freeland Street.

The complaint of January 11, 2024 follows a similar complaint of open burning that was received by the AQD on November 14, 2023. In response, AQD advised the facility owner over the phone on November 14 and 16, 2023 that open burning of untreated lumber was prohibited.

Open burning observed on January 11, 2024 constitutes a violation of Rule 310 of the administrative rules promulgated under Act 451, which prohibits open burning of refuse, garbage, or any other waste material at any business or commercial operation.

In order to comply with Rule 310, the facility is advised to immediately discontinue any open burning.

EGLE encourages the reuse and the recycling of wastes whenever possible. However, any waste that cannot be reused or recycled must be properly disposed of in accordance with Part

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115, Solid Waste Management, Section 11512(1) of Act 451. Additionally, if the facility decides to incinerate their waste, it must be incinerated in a properly designed incinerator. An approved permit must be obtained from EGLE before commencing installation of any incinerator. An application form is available by request, or at the following website: https://www.michigan.gov/egle/about/organization/air-quality/air-permits/new-source-review/guidance.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by February 20, 2024 (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 Sam Liveson at EGLE, AQD, Detroit District, at 3058 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 2-300, Detroit, Michigan 48202 or livesons2@michigan.gov and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If the facility 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 visit to the facility. 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,

Sam Liveson

Senior Environmental Engineer

Air Quality Division

313-405-1357

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