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July 22, 2014

Mr. Paul Rogers, Plant Manager  
Lafarge Midwest, Inc. - Alpena Plant  
1435 Ford Avenue  
Alpena, Michigan 49707

SRN: B1477, Alpena County

Dear Mr. Rogers:

### VIOLATION NOTICE

On April 25, 2014, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), received an Excess Emissions Report for the first quarter of 2014 from Lafarge Midwest, Inc. - Alpena Plant located at 1435 Ford Avenue, Alpena, Michigan. This reporting is required by Permit to Install (PTI) number 89-13A, 40 CFR 60.13, and 40 CFR 60, Appendices B and F. This reporting indicated that, between January 1, 2014 and March 31, 2014, the SO<sub>2</sub> monitor on the Wet Flu Gas Desulfurization Scrubber outlet was not in operation for 529 hours or 25.65 percent of the total source operating time. This constitutes a violation of Special Condition VI.1 of Permit to Install Number 89-13A which states:

"The permittee shall monitor and record SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emission from FG KG6 and each kiln in FG KG5 *on a continuous basis* with instrumentation acceptable to the AQD. The permittee shall keep all records on file at the facility and make them available to the AQD upon request."

Please submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 12, 2014 (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include a detailed explanation of the causes of this system downtime, a summary of the actions that have been taken to correct these issues, and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence.

If Lafarge Midwest, Inc. - Alpena Plant 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. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Dickman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rob Dickman  
Environmental Quality Analyst  
Air Quality Division  
231-876-4412

cc/via email: Mr. Robert Budnik, Lafarge  
Mr. Josh Strapec, Lafarge  
Ms. Lynn Fiedler, DEQ  
Ms. Teresa Seidel, DEQ  
Mr. Thomas Hess, DEQ  
Ms. Janis Ransom, DEQ