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DIRECTOR

July 19, 2022

Aaron Mulder
Master Finish Company
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SRN: N5898, Kent County

Dear Aaron Mulder:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 28, 2022, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of Master Finish Company located at 2020 Nelson Avenue SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Master Finish Company'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); the Air Pollution Control Rules; and the conditions of Permit to Install (PTI) numbers 74-94B and 75-94B.

During the inspection, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
Hoist Line hexavalent chrome plating scrubber	PTI No. 75-94B, Special Condition VI.2	Failure to properly implement O&M Plan
Cyclemaster Line hexavalent chrome plating scrubber	PTI No. 74-94B, Special Condition VI.4	Failure to properly implement O&M Plan
Cyclemaster Line hexavalent chrome plating	Rule 910	Failure to operate scrubber within parameters of O&M Plan
Woods Nickel	PTI No. 74-94B, Special Condition VI.5	Failure to properly implement O&M Plan
Chrome plating processes	40 CFR 63.347(h)(1)	Failure to conduct timely completion of annual compliance reports

During the records review, AQD learned that the records documenting monthly scrubber inspections were not maintained as required by the facility Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Plan. Additionally, scrubber pressure drop readings on the Cyclemaster Line were found to be out of range based on the parameters established in the plan. These constitute violations of the permits and Rule 910. Finally, the annual reports required by the National Emission Standards for Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks had not been completed timely.

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Please initiate a full inspection of both the Hoist Line and Cyclemaster mesh pad scrubber systems by August 31, 2022. A report of the findings of the inspections shall be submitted within 30 days following completion of the activity.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by August 9, 2022 (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.

Please submit the written response to EGLE, AOD, Grand Rapids District, at 350 Ottawa Avenue NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AOD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Master Finish Company 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 violations cited above and for the cooperation that was extended to me during my inspection of Master Finish Company. If you have any questions regarding the violations or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,



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