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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Erik Kiilunen
Neuvokas Corporation
3206 Number Six Road
Ahmeek, Michigan 49901

SRN: U422100057; Keweenaw County

Dear Erik Kiilunen:

SUBJECT: Consent Order AQD No. 2024-11, Stipulated Fines

On July 23, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), and Neuvokas Corporation (Company) entered into a Stipulation for Entry of Final Order by Consent (Consent Order) AQD No. 2024-11. In a Violation Notice dated October 8, 2024, the AQD cited the Company for violating the terms and conditions of the Consent Order.

Specifically, paragraph 12.A of the Consent Order reads, in part:

“No later than thirty (30) days after the Effective Date of the Consent Order, the Company’s third party consultant shall complete the approved evaluation as described in the Services and Deliverables section of Exhibit B, and the Company shall submit to the AQD Marquette District Supervisor the third party evaluation report.”

Furthermore, paragraph 17 of the Consent Order reads, in part:

“On and after the Effective Date of this Consent Order, if the Company fails to comply with paragraph 10.A, 11.A, or 12.A of this Consent Order, the Company is subject to a stipulated fine of up to \$2,500.00 per violation per day.”

The deadline for submitting the report to the AQD Marquette District Supervisor was August 22, 2024. The report was received on October 4, 2024. This late submittal may delay the Company’s required implementation of additional effective odor control measures at the facility.

The AQD has determined the amount of stipulated fines to be \$1,000. Please be aware that given the length of time this violation occurred, the AQD is using discretion and is not assessing the maximum stipulated fine for this violation under the terms of the Consent Order.

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The Company is hereby requested to submit the stipulated fines of \$1,000 in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 17 of the Consent Order, by November 8, 2024. To ensure proper credit, all payments shall include the Agreement Identification No. AQD40366-S on the face of the check. Stipulated fines submitted under this Consent Order shall be made by check, payable to the "State of Michigan" and mailed to the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Accounting Services Division, Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30657, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8157.

Please contact me at 517-275-0883 or MoranE@Michigan.gov if you have any questions.

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By: 

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Date: 10/9/2024

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