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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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Chief Christopher Dean Muskegon Heights Fire Department 2715 Baker Street Muskegon Heights, Michigan 49444

Mr. Tim Burgess Muskegon County Land Bank Authority 173 East Apple Avenue Muskegon, Michigan 49442

SRN / ID: U611805073; Muskegon County

Dear Chief Dean and Mr. Burgess:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On July 30, 2018, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD) performed an asbestos inspection at 3019 Peck Street, Muskegon, Muskegon County, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with the requirements of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 61, Subpart M (National Emission Standard for Asbestos), and Rule 942 of Part 55, Air Pollution Control of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451).

According to our investigation, Muskegon Heights Fire Department was the operator who conducted the demolition activities, and the Muskegon County Land Bank is the property owner of the addressee mentioned above. The National Emission Standard for Asbestos holds the <u>owner</u> and <u>operator</u> liable for all violations.

During the investigation staff observed/discovered the following:

The subject property at 3019 Peck Street had several holes placed in load bearing/structural basement walls and in asbestos containing plaster covered walls in the interior of the structure. There was no Scheduled Demolition notification submitted by the fire department for the demolition of these basement walls. It was my understanding that the holes that were placed in the basement and interior walls were for a training exercise. The asbestos containing plaster walls were not abated prior to the fire department training.

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Process Description	Section Violated	Comments
Failure to provide a 10-working day notification before demolition of structural/load bearing walls.	§61.145(b)(1)	Failure to provide 10 working day notification.

Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violation and submit a written response to this violation notice by September 4, 2018, (which coincides with 21 calendar days from the date of this letter). The written response should include: the date(s) 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 date(s) by which these actions will take place; and what steps are being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. The signed written response from owner and operator to this violation notice may be submitted by mail and directed to my attention at; DEQ AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909, or may be scanned and sent as an email attachment to brownj9@michigan.gov.

If you believe the above observations or statements are inaccurate or do not constitute a violation 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 extended to me during our meeting and emails. If you have any questions regarding the violation notice or the actions necessary to bring this facility into compliance, please contact me at 517-599-7825; brownj9@michigan.gov; or DEQ AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

Sincerely,

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Jeremiah Brown **Environmental Quality Analyst** Air Quality Division

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