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June 20, 2024

Kevin Keen
Knauf Insulation, Inc.
1000 E North Street
Albion, Michigan 49224

SRN: B7205, Calhoun County

Dear Kevin Keen:

VIOLATION NOTICE

On June 13, 2024, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted a review of 2022 annual compliance certification forms for Knauf Insulation, Inc. located at 1000 E. North Street, Albion, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Knauf Insulation, Inc. 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 Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) number MI-ROP-B7205-2021a.

During the review, staff observed the following:

Process Description	Rule/Permit Condition Violated	Comments
EU-WBW3ALBFORMING	MI-ROP-B7205-2021a, Special Conditions IV.3, R 336.1910, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart PPP	The parametric values for the wet electrostatic precipitator (WEP) were not updated from the 2022 and 2023 tests, and thus the facility was unaware that the WEP had gone into alarm on many dates in 2022 and 2023.
EU-WBW3ALBFORMING	MI-ROP-B7205-2012a, Special Condition IV.1, R 336.1910, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart PPP	The parametric values for the scrubbers were not updated from the 2022 and 2023 tests, and thus the facility was unaware that the scrubbers had gone into alarm on many dates in 2022 and 2023.

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Please initiate actions necessary to correct the cited violations and submit a written response to this Violation Notice by July 11, 2024 (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 Jared Edgerton at EGLE, AQD, Kalamazoo District, at 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009-5025 or Edgertonj1@michigan.gov and submit a copy to Jenine Camilleri, Enforcement Unit Supervisor at EGLE, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.

If Knauf Insulation, Inc. 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. 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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