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July 5, 2012

Bruce Bailey
Vice President of Technical Affairs
Quasar Energy Group dba Collinwood BioEnergy, LLC
13500 Aspinwall Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44110

NON-HPV

FACILITY ID: 13-18-00-8759
NOTICE OF VIOLATION: Air Pollution Nuisance

Dear Mr. Bailey:

On June 26, 2012, the Cleveland Division of Air Quality (CDAQ) received and investigated an odor complaint near Collinwood BioEnergy, LLC (Collinwood BioEnergy) located at 13500 Aspinwall Avenue in Cleveland. This letter serves as notification that you are operating sources in violation of the following applicable air statutes, air regulations, or air permit conditions.

In the course of conducting an investigation of the odor, CDAQ determined that the odor was coming from Collinwood BioEnergy. Determining factors included: wind direction; matching the description of the odor to operations at Collinwood BioEnergy; the proximity of Collinwood BioEnergy to where the odor was observed; and the fact that CDAQ received the odor complaint around the same time that the rubber membrane on Collinwood BioEnergy's digester tank was removed for replacement.

Your emission of odors into the outside air is a violation of Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-15-07, and Ohio Revised Code section 3704.05(G), in that the odors caused a public nuisance. Please note that Collinwood BioEnergy's digester tank is a permitted air emission source under emissions unit P001: Anaerobic digester controlled by flare, included in your Permit-to-Install/Operate Number P0107748.

Unless you undertake some type of corrective action with respect to the above noted violations, you will remain in non-compliance. CDAQ requests that Collinwood BioEnergy submit a corrective action plan to address the emission of odors from the Collinwood BioEnergy facility, to the following enforcement representative:



Valerie Shaffer
Cleveland Division of Air Quality
75 Erieview Plaza 2nd Floor
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Your written response to this letter must be received by CDAQ within fourteen (14) days of your receipt of this letter. If there is insufficient time to correct the alleged violations within this timeframe, your response must include a timeline for correcting the alleged violations.

Violations of Ohio air pollution laws and /or permit terms and conditions are subject to the penalties stipulated in Ohio Revised Code Section 3704.99(A), which allows fines of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, for each violation.

CDAQ issues this letter with Ohio EPA's concurrence. The failure to mention any specific violation does not excuse any violations of local, state and federal laws or regulations regarding air pollution control. Violations of air pollution control laws may be pursued in local court or referred to Ohio EPA or U.S. EPA for further enforcement action. Should you have any questions, please call Valerie Shaffer at (216) 664-6292. All correspondence with CDAQ must include the Ohio EPA facility identification number for Collinwood BioEnergy: 13-18-00-8759.

Sincerely,

Valencia White
Chief of Enforcement, CDAQ

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cc: Cam Rowley, Operations Manager, Quasar Energy Group
George P. Baker, CDAQ
Michael J. Krzywicki, CDAQ
John Paulian, Ohio EPA Central Office
William MacDowell, U.S. EPA Region V
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