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Dear Interested Party:

Thank you for your interest in the draft renewal of Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) prepared by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), for Detroit Renewable Power, LLC, formerly known as Greater Detroit Resource Recovery Facility, located at 5700 Russell Street in Detroit, Michigan.

Pursuant to state and federal requirements, the DEQ held an initial 30-day public comment period from April 12, 2010 to May 12, 2010 and a public hearing on May 17, 2010. The public comment period was extended to June 3, 2010 in response to requests from the public. The DEQ received 16 written comments during the comment period and 36 oral comments presented at the public hearing.

After careful review of the comments received, changes were made to the draft permit. The Staff Report provides the DEQ's responses to relevant comments received during the public comment period and at the public hearing, and identifies conditions which have been modified and DEQ's rationale for these changes.

The Proposed ROP and Staff Report have now been sent to the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for a mandatory 45-day review period as required in R 336.1214(6) of Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451). The 45-day USEPA review period began on June 14, 2011 and will end on July 29, 2011. This review period is for the USEPA only and does not provide an opportunity for further public comment to the DEQ. The Proposed ROP and Staff Report can be obtained through the DEQ, AQD internet homepage at:

http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/downloads/rop/pub_ntce/pub_ntce_shortcut.shtml.

If you need printed copies of these documents, please call the DEQ, AQD Detroit Field office at 313-456-4712.

The delay between the end of the public comment and the beginning of the EPA review periods was due to several factors. It took time to have the recording from the public hearing transcribed by an outside contractor. Due to the number of verbal and written comments received, the AQD needed more time to research and gather responses to the different comments provided. During this time, AQD staff had to work with the facility, per facility request/application of a minor permit to install modification to allow for the use of natural gas as start-up/shutdown fuel and as back up fuel to maintain combustion temperature at 1800°F. The use of natural gas as back up fuel in lieu of fuel oil was one of the comments provided during the public participation process. In October 2010, the facility went on temporary shutdown due to loss of steam

contract/economic viability with an uncertain future of continued operations. Due to limited resources, the AQD decided to postpone processing the facility's ROP and work on other time sensitive and pressing tasks.

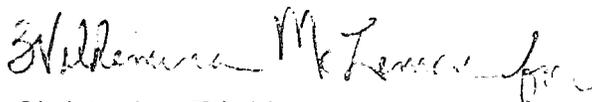
Pursuant to the delegation of authority from the Director of the DEQ, Lynn Fiedler, AQD Assistant Division Chief, will make a final decision to issue or deny this ROP, as provided in Rule 214(7), after completion of the review by USEPA. Any person aggrieved by the issuance or denial of this ROP may appeal the final decision as provided in Section 5506(14) of Act 451.

In accordance with Rule 214(8), any person may petition the Administrator of the USEPA to make an objection regarding an ROP pursuant to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 70.8(d). The USEPA Administrator has delegated this authority to USEPA's Region 5 Air and Radiation Division. The petition must be filed within 60 days after the expiration of the USEPA's 45-day review period specified in Rule 214(6) and 40 CFR, Part 70.8(c).

A petition must be based only on an objection to the ROP that was raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period provided for in Rule 214(3)(c), unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise the objection during the public comment period or unless the grounds for the objection arose after the public comment period. A petition for review does not stay the effectiveness of an ROP or its requirements if the ROP was issued after the end of the 45-day review period and before the DEQ received an objection by the USEPA.

Thank you for your interest in this ROP. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Remilando Pinga at 313-456-4720 or me at the number below.

Sincerely,



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