

November 29, 2016

File: AQ-10-01-1088

Harvest Fraser Richmond Organics Ltd.  
7028 York Road  
Richmond, BC V6W 0B1

Attention: Scott Kerr, General Manager - Compost

**Re: Air Quality Management Permit Requirements - Biofilter Media Change Required**

Dear Mr. Kerr:

Air Quality Management Permit GVA1088, issued under GVRD Air Quality Management Bylaw 1082, 2008, authorizes the discharge of air contaminants from your facility. This Permit outlines that certain requirements be met. In particular Section 1 for Emission Source 05 and 06 outlines specific requirements. One of those requirements is as follows:

“Biofilter media must be replaced by April 30, 2017 and thereafter within 18 months of the last replacement date, or as required by the District Director. Alternate media and replacement schedule may be considered if supporting information is provided with the request.”

Based on recent emission testing and staff observations I am convinced that the biofilters are no longer functioning in an acceptable manner and are reaching the end of their useful life span. It is my understanding as outlined in your email dated November 29, 2016 that you will have the media changed as soon as possible and no later than December 12, 2016. Accordingly you hereby required to replace the media of the biofilters for Emission Source 05 and 06 with new media consisting of clean virgin wood (no demolition or construction waste) by no later than December 12, 2016.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Darren Beirsto at 604-436-6775 or by email at [Darren.Beirsto@metrovancouver.org](mailto:Darren.Beirsto@metrovancouver.org).

Yours truly,



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