

June 14, 2024

JERE NULL
PRESTAGE FOODS
3183 HIGHWAY 17
EAGLE GROVE IA 50533

Subject: **Letter of Inquiry**: Prestage Sludge Solid Waste Land Application Stockpile Odor
Complaint 33581; Webster County

Dear Mr. Null:

On May 21, 2024 this office received an odor complaint from a sludge and bedding stockpile alleged to be from Prestage Foods, located in the southwest ¼, Section 4 of Newark Township in Webster County. I responded to the complaint on June 5, 2024, and documented odor from the stockpile approximately 500 feet away from the pile. On June 6, 2024, I spoke both with you, and later with Mike Klema, of Environmental Land Management. Mr. Klema confirmed that the stockpile was from Prestage.

Please be advised that the Prestage Foods Solid Waste Land Application permit 99-SDP-06-19, requires that odor from stockpiling of Prestage Foods industrial sludge must be controlled at all times. When odor is evident, measures must be taken to remediate odor from the stockpiles. Please also be advised that the permit states that if odor of the stockpile is not remediated, the stockpile must be removed from the property and disposed of at a permitted Iowa sanitary disposal project (SDP) or hauled out of state on a schedule determined by the DNR.

By **June 27, 2024**, please submit to this office a written plan of action (POA) for the remedial actions that will be taken to eliminate this condition. The facility is also reminded to be cognizant of odor when selecting stockpile locations.

Should you have questions regarding this letter please feel free to contact me at isaiah.lary@dnr.iowa.gov or 641-424-4073.

Sincerely,

FIELD SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE BUREAU



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