

DIRECTOR KAYLA LYON

July 20, 2020

Chamness Technology, Inc. Attn: Gary Chamness

2255 Little Wall Lake Road

Blairsburg, IA 50034

Subject: Follow Up Visit; FOCD #145567

Facility #90-SDP-10-97P-COM Chamness Technology, Inc., Eddyville, Wapello Co, IA

Dear Mr. Chamness:

On July 16, 2020, I completed a follow up visit to Chamness Technology Inc. compost facility located at 24820 160th Street near Eddyville, Iowa. The purpose of my visit was to assess the current status of the site and to determine what progress towards compliance has been made since the last DNR site visit.

The facility has made progress creating pathways across and around the pad, clearing space on the pad for mixing of new materials, and providing effective drainage of leachate. At the time of my visit, I talked to you via phone and we discussed Chamness establishing a few goals and achieving them over the next few weeks or months. You indicated Doug McCrea and Richard Swan would be working on that plan/approach. During the course of my visit, I talked to Richard about establishing goals with time frames regarding leachate lines being repaired, establishing windrows, and moving cured compost off site. Those are just a few of the main areas we'd like the facility to focus on.

Based on the messages I left for you and our most recent conversation, we request the facility tell us what can be accomplished as soon as feasible with an implementation date of September 1, 2020 (for example, establishing four 200-foot windrows on the eastern of the compost pad by September 1). Outlining any compliance aspect and having a completed or achieved goal date specified would be what the department is looking for at this time. Please send the facility plans/goals to me in this office as soon as feasible.

Be advised that additional enforcement action may still be taken regarding the most recent notice of violation. Continuous improvement towards compliance is essential. If you have any questions or would like further explanation of any part of this letter, please contact me in this office at 319-653-2135 or at brian.lee@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

FIELD SERVICES & COMPLIANCE BUREAU

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Environmental Specialist

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