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March 27, 2024

Mark Sindelar, Plant Manager
Kingsford Manufacturing Company
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Re: Inspection Report
Kingsford Manufacturing Company
NPDES Permit #102153, EPA ID OR0031330
File 46000
WQ-Lane County

Dear Mr. Sindelar,

On March 13, 2024, DEQ conducted a compliance evaluation inspection at the Kingsford Manufacturing Company's wastewater treatment ponds. The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with the conditions of National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit number 102153, issued to the Kingsford Manufacturing Company on September 28, 2007. The findings are summarized below. I have enclosed a copy of the inspection report checklist that provides additional information.

Site Visit

I met with Karen (Lund) Chavez, Plant Engineer, and Stuart Halden, Plant Engineering Manager. Also present during the inspection was Ranei Nomura, DEQ WQ Program Manager. The plant is operated and maintained well.

Records Review

DEQ reviewed records from January 2021 through January 2024. Kingsford Manufacturing Company has submitted all monthly discharge monitoring reports (DMR) on time in NetDMR. All DMRs are complete and include a daily data attachment.

There are no violations to be noted at this time and the facility seems to be running as designed. There are planned improvements for the facility that sound to be a good improvement to the solids handling in the first settling pond. The addition of pumps and a side hill screen will improve solids removal that can then be reused in the product manufacturing process. Kingsford Manufacturing Company may consider irrigation of their landscaping around the facility to reuse the wastewater and stormwater captured during the winter months to reduce their need for discharge during the shoulder seasons.

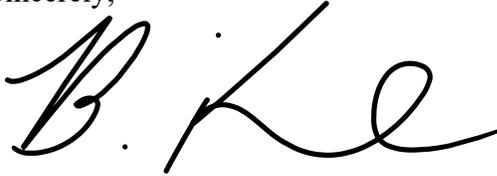
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If you have any questions, please contact me in writing at brenda.kuiken@deq.oregon.gov or by phone at (503) 893-0924.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Kuiken'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large 'B' and 'K'.

Brenda Kuiken
WQ Compliance Specialist

cc: DEQ Salem Office file

ec: Ranei Nomura, Manager, Western Region DEQ
Oregon Records Management Solution
Karen (Lund) Chavez, Plant Engineer
Stuart Halden, Plant Engineering Manager