

COUNTY OF



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WARNING LETTER

June 28, 2021

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL – 9489 0090 0027 6047 4907 18

Naren Patel
Ahan Hospitality, Inc.
1150 Banksville Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15216-3008

RE: Diesel-Powered Motor Vehicle Idling Act

Dear Mr. Patel,

This Warning Letter serves as notice that you and your company, Ahan Hospitality, Inc., may be in violation of PA ACT 124 of 2008 (“Diesel-Powered Motor Vehicle Idling Act”) adopted at Pennsylvania Statute Title 35 P.S Health and Safety Chapter 23B.

The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) has received multiple complaints regarding diesel-powered vehicles idling in excess of five minutes in a sixty-minute period in the parking lot of the Days Inn located at 1150 Banksville Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15216. ACHD was informed law enforcement also received and responded to complaints of excessive idling at the subject location. Title 35 P.S. § 4603(a) states “No driver or owner of a diesel-powered motor vehicle with a gross weight of 10,001 pounds or more, engaged in commerce, shall cause and no owner or operator of the location where the vehicle loads, unloads, or parks shall allow the engine of the vehicle to idle for more than five minutes in any continuous 60-minute period, except as provided under subsections (b)) and (c). As the owner of the of the location where the vehicles in question idle, you may be subject to an order, a civil penalty or a fine for allowing trucks to exceed the idling restrictions PA ACT 124.

ACHD representatives will continue to respond to complaints of excessive idling at the subject location to document compliance with PA ACT 124. Additionally, state and local law enforcement may issue or file a citation for violations of PA ACT 124.

This letter constitutes a formal warning that you and your company may have violated the Diesel-Powered Motor Vehicle Idling Act by allowing excessive idling of diesel-powered vehicles on your property.



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In the future, if you or your company fail to comply with the Diesel-Powered Motor Vehicle Act, you may be subject to civil penalties of up to **\$1,000 per violation per day** and summary criminal penalties upon conviction of up to **\$300 per violation per day plus court costs**.

If you have any questions, please call Nicholas Caito at 412-578-7963. Thank you for your anticipated prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shannon Sandberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shannon Sandberg
Air Quality Enforcement Section Chief

cc: Nicholas Caito, Air Quality Engineer III, Air Quality Program
Pittsburgh Police Department
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