

Hattie B. Benet

From: Hattie B. Benet
Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2023 4:27 PM
To: Gala, Chetan
Cc: Bill McCabe; Tammy Gambill; Kevin McLain; John Fuss
Subject: RE: (CAA - FY23-265762-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

Importance: High

Good Evening Mr. Gala,

Concerning complaint 126016 as described in the email chain which follows: New barrel houses are being constructed but the facility has provision for the construction of additional barrel houses in their current operating permit. The facility currently has a pending T5 renewal as well as a pending minor modification to the current permit to add an additional 23 whisky maturation warehouses. The mention of filtration and thus design of the barrel houses associated with this complaint has been referred to our permitting section who are working with the facility to obtain additional information needed. This request was sent certified mail to the facility on December 8, 2022 with a deadline for information submission within 60 days of letter receipt. Additional information was received on February 13, 2023 and is currently being reviewed by our permitting team. If you need additional details regarding this matter, Mr. John Fuss as copied on this email is the team member in permitting working on this case and will be the best point of contact. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

Thank you,

Hattie Benet



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From: Bill McCabe <Bill.McCabe@tn.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 3:07 PM
To: Hattie B. Benet <Hattie.B.Benet@tn.gov>
Subject: FW: (CAA - FY23-265762-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

Fyi – Please enter into smog log

From: Tammy Gambill <Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 3:05 PM

To: Bill McCabe <Bill.McCabe@tn.gov>; Martie Carpenter <Martie.Carpenter@tn.gov>

Subject: FW: (CAA - FY23-265762-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

From: Gala, Chetan <Gala.Chetan@epa.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:55 AM

To: Tammy Gambill <Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov>; Kevin McLain <Kevin.McLain@tn.gov>

Cc: Groendyke, Todd <Groendyke.Todd@epa.gov>; Kler, Denis <Kler.Denis@epa.gov>; Ferrando, Emily (she/her/hers) <Ferrando.Emily@epa.gov>; Chatfield, Ethan <chatfield.ethan@epa.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: (CAA - FY23-265762-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

Good afternoon.

Please refer to the email chain for a complaint/tip concerning Jack Daniels' alleged building of 7 65,000 sq foot aging warehouses and alleged failure to notify the EPA and TDEC of the changes in barrel house design and construction. Thus, Jack Daniels is alleged of illegally emitting ethanol in excess of the 100-ton annual limit per stationary facility. For additional information/details, please refer to the complaint/tip.

Please assure this complaint/tip is appropriately addressed and provide feedback.

Sincerely,

Chetan Gala

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From: kler.denis@epa.gov <kler.denis@epa.gov>

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 10:08 AM

To: Gala, Chetan <Gala.Chetan@epa.gov>

Subject: FWD: (CAA - FY23-265762-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

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FROM: kler.denis@epa.gov

TO: gala.chetan@epa.gov

CC:

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2/19/2023 2:55 PM

HQ LEAD NUMBER: FY23-265762-3714-CV

SUBJECT: Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

FROM: euselton@firstvisionbank.com

TO:

Name: Erica uselton

Phone: 9312471658

Alleged Violator's Name: Jack daniels

Alleged Violator's Address: 822 Lynchburg highway

Alleged Violator's City: Mulberry

Alleged Violator's State: Tennessee

Alleged Violator's Zip: 37359

Tip or Complaint: The Jack Daniel's distillery has built 7 65,000 sq foot aging warehouses. These each contain over 66,000 barrels of whiskey. They have built these building with HVAC and ethanol monitoring systems. The temperature and the humidity are maintained at pre described settings and there are only 4 exhaust points from the building. Air handling moves the air through ductwork and exhausts over 500 TONS of ethanol from each building annually. Jack Daniel's has not notified the EPA nor TDEC of this change in barrel house construction and so they are illegally emitting ethanol in excess of the 100-ton annual limit per stationary facility. I have attached the building plans for these structures, and you can plainly see the building is completely sealed and uses a control system to monitor the temperature, humidity, and Lower Explosive Level (LEL) for each structure. These ARE NOT FUGITIVE and should be using emissions controls such RTO to eliminate the containment

Violation Still Occurring? Yes

State DEP/DEQ/DEM Notified? No