

## Hattie B. Benet

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**From:** Hattie B. Benet  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 7:19 AM  
**To:** Gala, Chetan  
**Cc:** Bill McCabe; Tammy Gambill; Kevin McLain; John Fuss  
**Subject:** RE: (CAA - FY23-266882-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee  
  
**Importance:** High

Good Morning Mr. Gala,

Concerning complaint 126131 as described in the email chain which follows: The State of Tennessee Division of Air Pollution Control does not regulate indoor or outdoor fungus including the microflora *baudoinia compniacensis*, an organism commonly found in the environment surrounding a distillery's maturation warehouses. 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:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 6:36 AM  
**To:** Hattie B. Benet <Hattie.B.Benet@tn.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: (CAA - FY23-266882-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

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**From:** Tammy Gambill <[Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov](mailto:Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 6:35 AM  
**To:** Bill McCabe <[Bill.McCabe@tn.gov](mailto:Bill.McCabe@tn.gov)>  
**Cc:** Martie Carpenter <[Martie.Carpenter@tn.gov](mailto:Martie.Carpenter@tn.gov)>  
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**From:** Gala, Chetan <[Gala.Chetan@epa.gov](mailto:Gala.Chetan@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 3:16 AM

**To:** Tammy Gambill <[Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov](mailto:Tammy.Gambill@tn.gov)>; Kevin McLain <[Kevin.McLain@tn.gov](mailto:Kevin.McLain@tn.gov)>

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

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: (CAA - FY23-266882-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

Good morning,

Please refer to the email chain for a complaint/tip concerning Jack Daniels distillery warehouse 16 & 17 alleged leaking of ethanol leading to fungus growth on everything.

Please assure appropriate addressing of the complaint and provide feedback.

Sincerely,

**Chetan Gala**

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**From:** [kler.denis@epa.gov](mailto:kler.denis@epa.gov) <[kler.denis@epa.gov](mailto:kler.denis@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Monday, March 13, 2023 8:57 AM

**To:** Gala, Chetan <[Gala.Chetan@epa.gov](mailto:Gala.Chetan@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** FWD: (CAA - FY23-266882-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

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SUBJECT: FWD: (CAA - FY23-266882-3714-CV) Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

FROM: [kler.denis@epa.gov](mailto:kler.denis@epa.gov)

TO: [gala.chetan@epa.gov](mailto:gala.chetan@epa.gov)

CC:

Please forward to Region 5

-----Original Message-----

3/5/2023 7:06 PM

HQ LEAD NUMBER: FY23-266882-3714-CV

SUBJECT: Regional Tip and/or Complaint - Tennessee

FROM: [Lcarter37352@yahoo.com](mailto:Lcarter37352@yahoo.com)

TO:

Name: Lorraine Carter

Phone: 931-247-1469

Alleged Violator's Name: JACK DANIEL DISTILLERY WAREHOUSE 16 & 17

Alleged Violator's Address: 3760 FAYETTEVILLE HIGHWAY

Alleged Violator's City: LYNCHBURG

Alleged Violator's State: Tennessee

Alleged Violator's Zip: 37352

Alleged Violator's Latitude / Longitude: 35.239000 / -86.411000

Alleged Violator's FRS ID: 3600361071

Tip or Complaint: The warehouses leak ethanol which is causing everything within at least a mile to turn black with the fungus. The fungus grows on everything. All the tree limbs and trunks are black. No one knows for sure how this effects people and animals. Does it effect the ground water?

Violation Still Occurring? Yes

State DEP/DEQ/DEM Notified? No