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January 12, 2026

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Marsha Serlin, Manager  
United Scrap Metal IN, LLC  
1545 S Cicero Ave.  
Cicero, IL 60804

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Cogency Global Inc, Registered Agent  
150 W Market Street, Suite 400  
Indianapolis IN, 46204

Re: Notice of Violation and Proposed Agreed Order  
for Violations Identified via Inspection  
United Scrap Metal IN, LLC  
Shelbyville, Shelby County  
Case No. 2025-31248-A

Dear Marsha Serlin:

On December 9, 2025, a representative of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management ("IDEM"), Office of Air Quality, conducted an inspection of United Scrap Metal IN, LLC located at 751 W Boomer Way in Shelbyville, Indiana. This inspection was conducted pursuant to IC 13-14-2-2, and a summary of the inspection, mailed on December 18, 2025, was provided pursuant to IC 13-14-5.

As a result of information obtained during this inspection, IDEM alleges that a violation of an environmental rule occurred. Specifically, United Scrap Metal IN, LLC was observed open burning during unfavorable meteorological conditions.

In accordance with IC 13-30-3-3, this letter includes a Notice of Violation that sets forth the alleged violation and an Agreed Order that provides United Scrap Metal IN, LLC the opportunity to settle this enforcement action. IDEM encourages settlement by Agreed Order when possible to quickly correct environmental violations and avoid litigation.

The alleged violation identified in the Notice of Violation is among those that IDEM has determined qualifies for expedited enforcement. This means the enclosed Agreed Order is non-negotiable, and it represents IDEM's best settlement offer in this matter. The civil penalty included in the Agreed Order is the penalty amount that IDEM will accept only for the settlement of the alleged violation identified therein under its expedited enforcement program.

If United Scrap Metal IN, LLC agrees to settle this enforcement action in accordance with the enclosed Agreed Order, its responsible official should sign and

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return the entire original Agreed Order within sixty (60) days of receipt to IDEM at the following address:

Eric Ross, Case Manager  
Compliance and Enforcement Branch – Mail Code 61-53  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Indiana Government Center North  
100 North Senate Avenue, Room 13W  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251  
EMRoss@idem.in.gov

The civil penalty should be sent to the address listed in the Agreed Order within fifteen (15) days of your receipt of a copy of the final adopted Agreed Order. The final adopted Agreed Order will be mailed to you after it is approved and signed by the Assistant Commissioner of IDEM's Office of Air Quality.

IDEM is not required to extend the offer of entry into the Agreed Order for more than sixty (60) days. Because Indiana law allows a source to enter into an Agreed Order without admitting that the violation occurred, the attached Agreed Order includes this non-admission language. (See line 3 of the first paragraph of the Agreed Order.) If the Agreed Order is not entered into, IDEM may proceed with additional enforcement action requiring compliance with environmental rule and may seek monetary penalties in accordance with IDEM's Civil Penalty Policy (ID No. Enforcement 99-0002-NPD), which likely will result in a greater penalty than the penalty amount offered in this Agreed Order.

Please contact Eric Ross, Case Manager, of my staff at 317-489-9729 or EMRoss@idem.in.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Janusz Johnson, Branch Chief  
Compliance and Enforcement  
Office of Air Quality

cc: Ryan Pfaff, General Manager, [rpaff@unitedscrap.com](mailto:rpaff@unitedscrap.com)  
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## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

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Based on an inspection on December 9, 2025, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management ("IDEM") has reason to believe that United Scrap Metal IN, LLC ("Respondent") has violated an environmental rule. The violation is based on the following:

1. Respondent owns and operates a scrap metal operation located at 751 W Boomer Way in Shelbyville, Shelby County, Indiana (the "Site").
2. Pursuant to 326 IAC 4-1, open burning is prohibited unless exempted, allowed by a rule, or an approval is obtained.

On December 9, 2025, open burning during unfavorable meteorological conditions, including high winds, was observed at the Site, in violation of 326 IAC 4-1.

In accordance with IC 13-30-3-3, the Commissioner herein provides notice that a violation may exist and offers an opportunity to enter into an Agreed Order providing for the actions required to correct the violation and for the payment of a civil penalty for the violation. The Commissioner is not required to extend this offer for more than sixty (60) days. An Agreed Order for your consideration is attached. As noted on the attached Agreed Order, it is a qualified offer of settlement of this matter and, therefore, is inadmissible pursuant to Indiana's Rules of Evidence.

As provided in IC 13-30-3-3, an alleged violator may enter into an Agreed Order without admitting that the violation occurred. IDEM encourages settlement by Agreed Order to quickly correct environmental violations and to avoid litigation.

If the Agreed Order is not entered into within sixty (60) days of receipt of this Notice of Violation, the Commissioner may proceed with additional enforcement action requiring compliance with environmental rule and seek additional monetary penalties in

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accordance with IDEM's Civil Penalty Policy (ID No. Enforcement 99-0002-NPD). Pursuant to IC 13-30-4-1, the Commissioner may assess penalties of up to \$25,000 per day for each violation.

Please contact Eric Ross, Case Manager, of my staff at 317-489-9729 or EMRoss@idem.in.gov if you have any questions.

For the Commissioner:



Date: 1-12-26

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