

April 28, 2020

Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Air Quality
Compliance and Enforcement Branch
100 N. Senate Avenue, IGCN 1003
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: COVID-19 Related Correspondence
Request to Delay Stack Testing at POET Biorefining – Shelbyville, LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

Due to poor margins and a decrease in demand of ethanol in response to COVID-19, startup at POET Biorefining – Shelbyville (POET) has been delayed for an indefinite period. Prior to the original startup date, the facility received grain and began storing at the facility. Permit Number T145-39686-00089, Section D.1.5 Testing Requirements requires stack testing within 180 days after startup on the following baghouses: CE001, CE002, CE003, CE004 and CE005. POET began receiving grain on February 10, 2020. The facility is no longer receiving grain at this time.

POET requests an extension in the stack testing deadline for the following baghouses: CE001, CE002, CE003, CE004 and CE005. Prior to the delayed startup of the facility, stack testing on the grain receiving sources was due to be completed by August 8, 2020.

POET Biorefining – Shelbyville is projected to tentatively initiate startup in Q4 2020. Depending on margins and demand, this date is subject to change. POET requests to delay stack testing on the above sources until 90 days after the facility begins receiving grain when startup is initiated.

Please contact Shelby Wrage, Environmental Engineer, at (605) 965-2315 or Shelby.Wrage@POET.com with any questions regarding this request.

Regards,

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