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Quality of air is fundamental for the protection of the environment and all living things within it. The Clean Air act came about for this reason: regulation of the emission of air pollutants. The Clean Air Act was to reduce the harmful health effects and risks brought about by air pollution. In 1990, the Clean Air and Toxic Substances Act was amended to set standards for companies and factories that emit or are likely to remove more than 9 tons of a single air pollutant in a year or even more than twenty-four tons of combines air pollutants in a year (Henneman et al., 2019). The Environmental Protection Agencies (EPA) may evaluate penalties of close to $37,500 each day per violation for noncompliance in likelihood of a breach. Also, the penalty can be greater if the EPA and the department of justice find a more significant sentence being appropriate before the breach.

The EPA has a significant role in regulation to protect the environment and the people living around that area. If done inadequately there is likely to be consequences of pollution of the environment and harm brought to the people living within that particular area. As a manager noticing there is some lapse on the EPA on regulation puts me in a position to choose between ethics and corporate executives and shareholders who, in most cases, usually do not care of anything other than the profits are being made by the facility (Nijsingh et al., 2019). Installing additional control measures is likely to be costly but it is what is ethical to do as a human being, the shareholders may not like it but after installing this controls the emission is controlled and would save us a great deal in the future. Example if the emission overtime start affecting the people around the EPA is likely to notice and come for checking and may lead to foreclosure of the company unless additional control of the emission is set up which may be expensive at that time compared to installing them now. The theory of consequentialism under the modern rights theory, guides all this and states that we should be aiming at bringing the best out of our practices or actions (Bartneck et al., 2021). The manufacturing firm should bring positive results to the people living around the area that is employment opportunities and industrialization but not at the peril of their health being in jeopardy due to emissions from the manufacturing facility. I would choose to be ethical and put more protective measures for the chemical released to protect the people around the manufacturing firm.

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