

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AIR QUALITY DIVISION
ACTIVITY REPORT: On-site Inspection

N350166013

FACILITY: Quest Industrial Corporation		SRN / ID: N3501
LOCATION: 1995 East Hamilton Road, ALPENA		DISTRICT: Gaylord
CITY: ALPENA		COUNTY: ALPENA
CONTACT:		ACTIVITY DATE: 01/10/2023
STAFF: David Bowman	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: source reports no coating operations since 2010 or 2011.		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On 6 Jan 2023 I, David Bowman MI EGLE AQD, conducted a site inspection of N3501 Quest Industrial Corporation, 1995 East Hamilton Rd, Alpena, operating under the conditions of permit to install (PTI) 138-03. PTI 138-03 was issued as a general permit and the format has changed from when this was issued to what is used now, I used the PTI language as was issued originally.

It was 32°F, overcast, and winds from East to West at 15 MPH. The site is found at the South/Southwest corner of Hamilton Rd and US 23 north of Alpena. The address 1995 is in large letters on the North/Northwest side of the building and easily seen from the road.

There were no odors present at the site, the site was cleaned and well maintained. The stack from the EU had no visible emissions.

Upon entry I met with Craig, the site manager, and explained the purpose of my visit. Craig told me that they stopped performing coating operations in 2010 or 2011. The corporate HQ had discussed voiding the permit but had not decided to yet. Source has turned the coating room into storage and kept the fans and filters in place just in case they had to coat anything. The coating room is roughly 20' x 20' matching the description from the last inspection. The filters were in place over the fan unit and appeared to not have been used for a very long time.

All paints, solvents, etc are stored in a single flammable resistant locker. There was a single 5 gallon can of solvent that is used only when they need to clean the oils off a part of the metal and any emission is released into the plant atmosphere. See below for notes regarding the conditions of the permit

1 Design Parameters

A. describe set up: the room is roughly 20' x 20' square with roll up doors (and seals) and a fan bank for control of any overspray. There were no coating lines in the room as it was being used for storage.

B. what control equipment is being used? There were dry filters on the fan housing.

C. are HVLP tips used? There were no paint guns present at time of inspection.

D. Stack height required 1.5x height of building. The stack appeared to meet the requirement.

2. Material Usage/Emission Limits

2000 lbs VOC calendar month, 10 tpy all on 12-month rolling time period.

Source stated no coating operations since 2010/2011 so there was no emissions.

III. Compliance Evaluation

A. Monitoring/Record Keeping

1. Parameter to be recorded and frequency:

Source indicated that they have not performed coating operations since 2010/2011 so there are no records since that is well beyond the 5 year record retention requirement.

B. Testing

No testing has been requested by MI EGLE AQD so this condition has not been inspected.

IV. Operational Parameters

1. Waste coatings and reducers captured and stored in closed containers.


Source indicated that no coating operations have occurred since 2010/2011 so there is no coatings or reducers. The source has all chemicals stored in a flammable locker and there was no single type in excess of 5 gallons and all in original closed containers.

2. Permittee shall not operate any spray coating process unless dry filters are installed and operating properly.

Filters are present and it appears that if the source decided to start coating operations back up that they would be complying with this requirement.

V. Allowed Modifications

No modifications have been made to the process outside of not coating any longer.

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