

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

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<b>FACILITY:</b> Parkview Animal Hospital		<b>SRN / ID:</b> N7026
<b>LOCATION:</b> 1972 E 11 MILE RD, WARREN		<b>DISTRICT:</b> Warren
<b>CITY:</b> WARREN		<b>COUNTY:</b> MACOMB
<b>CONTACT:</b> Sarah Francis , Hospital Manager		<b>ACTIVITY DATE:</b> 03/12/2024
<b>STAFF:</b> Marie Reid	<b>COMPLIANCE STATUS:</b> Compliance	<b>SOURCE CLASS:</b> MINOR
<b>SUBJECT:</b> FY24 on-site scheduled inspection.		
<b>RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:</b>		

On March 12, 2024, I (Marie Reid), Michigan Department of Environment of Great Lakes, and Energy – Air Quality Division (EGLE-AQD), conducted a scheduled inspection of Parkview Animal Hospital (Parkview) located at 1972 E 11 Mile Rd, Warren, MI. This facility is identified by the AQD with the State Registration Number (SRN) N7026. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the facility’s compliance with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act; Article II, Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451); Michigan Administrative Rules; and Permit to Install (PTI) No. 251-01.

### **Facility Description**

Parkview is located in Macomb County. Macomb county is currently designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) as attainment/unclassified for all criteria pollutants. The area surrounding Parkview is densely populated with commercial and residential properties. The facility is a true minor source for particulate matter (PM).

Parkview Animal Hospital is a veterinary care office that offers cremation services of deceased pets. PTI No. 251-01 was issued to install and operate a Crawford C500P 75 lb/hr natural gas fired incinerator (EUINCINERATOR). EUINCINERATOR is permitted to burn pathological and medical/infectious waste.

### **Inspection and Compliance Evaluation**

Prior to the inspection I spoke with Sarah Francis, Hospital Manager, on the phone and she informed me that Parkview has not operated their incinerator in over two years and do not plan on using it in the future. Instead, Parkview uses a third party who conducts their cremations at their own facility.

I arrived at Parkview at 8:30 am and met with Sarah. I identified myself, showed ID, stated the purpose of my visit, and we toured the facility.

Sarah told me that Parkview’s employees are not interested in conducting cremations themselves, so they hired Trusted Journey Pet Memorial Services (Trusted Journey) (SRN: N3765) for cremation services. Trusted Journey picks up the deceased animals from Parkview, cremates them at their facility, and drops off the cremains at Parkview to be returned to the families. Sarah informed me that Trusted Journey typically does pickup and drop services on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Sarah provided me with an invoice from Trusted Journey dated February 1, 2024, for their cremation services.

We began the inspection in the room that houses the cremation unit. Sarah told me the cremation room is primarily used for storage. I observed various outdoor maintenance tools currently being stored in this room. The room and cremation unit felt cold, indicating that the

unit had not recently been used. I noted that the cremation unit in this room was the Crawford Model C-500P Incineration Chamber.

Next, we went to the basement, and I observed two deep freezers where the deceased animals are stored prior to being picked up by Trusted Journey. Sarah said they typically only need to use one of the deep freezers since Trusted Journey frequently picks up the deceased animals.

Before I left the facility, I observed the cremation unit's stack from the parking lot. I did not observe black soot at the top of the stack, which would indicate recent operation of the cremation unit.

### Conclusion

During this inspection, I did not see any evidence that would indicate EUINCINERATOR recently operated. I informed Sarah that if Parkview is interested in voiding their permit, they would have to decommission the unit. Sarah said that although the incinerator is no longer in use, Parkview does not wish to decommission the cremation unit, therefore, the permit will remain active.

Based on my on-site inspection, Parkview Animal Hospital (SRN: N7026) is in compliance with the conditions of PTI No. 251-01, as well as all applicable air quality rules and regulations.

NAME *Mark Reid*

DATE 03/12/2024

SUPERVISOR *K. Kelly*