

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AIR QUALITY DIVISION
ACTIVITY REPORT: Self Initiated Inspection

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FACILITY: Cal's Auto Tech		SRN / ID: U501508846
LOCATION: 20819 Schoenherr Rd, Warren		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: Warren		COUNTY: MACOMB
CONTACT: Cal Maadarani ,		ACTIVITY DATE: 08/24/2015
STAFF: Kerry Kelly	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS:
SUBJECT: Complaint Investigation		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS: C-15-01317		

On August 24, 2015, Sebastian Kallumkal and I conducted a self-initiated inspection at Cal's Auto Tech located at 20819 Schoenherr, Warren, Michigan. 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's Air Pollution Control Rules; and to investigate an anonymous complaint (Complaint No. C-15-01317) related to "unbearable" odors from painting operations at this facility.

Odor Investigation

We reached the area at about 2:10 PM. The wind was from the WSW at 9 MPH (Wunderground.com). Cal's Auto Tech is located on the west side of Schoenherr between Vernon Street to the north and Colleen Street to the south. We conducted odor observations on Vernon, Schoenherr, and Colleen streets. We started observations on Vernon Street just west of Schoenherr, walking east on Vernon to Schoenherr. At Schoenherr we crossed to the east side of the street and walked south on Schoenherr to Colleen, downwind from Cal's Auto Tech. When passing Cal's I did not observe odors, a stack, or emissions associated with either of the two buildings on the property. At Colleen I crossed Schoenherr and walked west on Colleen to the end of the street, about 0.1 miles upwind of Cal's Auto Tech. I did not detect any odors upwind or downwind of Cal's Auto Tech.

Inspection

We entered the site, presented our DEQ employee photo identification, explained the purpose of the inspection, and gave a copy of the pamphlet "Environmental Inspections: Rights and Responsibilities" to Mr. Cal Maadarani, Owner. Mr. Maadarani accompanied us on the inspection.

Cal's Auto Tech consists of a garage and a body shop.

Garage

A sand blast unit and a cold cleaner were inspected in the garage.

Sand blast unit

The sand blast machine is a closed system with no visible exhaust vents. This unit appears to be exempt from R336.1201 according to R 336.1285(l)(vi) because the emissions are released into the general in-plant environment.

Cold cleaner

The lid on the cold cleaner was closed and operating instructions were posted. This unit appears to be exempt from R336.1201 per R336.1281(h) and in compliance with R336.1707.

Body Shop

Frame and body work are done in the body shop. We did not see a paint booth or any paint-related items in the body shop.

There did not appear to be any painting taking place at Cal's Auto Tech.

Conclusion

This facility appears to be in compliance with applicable air quality regulations. During our investigation we did not verify odors coming from Cal's Auto Tech. This complaint is resolved.

NAME Kerry Kelly DATE 8/28/15 SUPERVISOR CJE