

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

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FACILITY: WF WELLS INC		SRN / ID: N0906
LOCATION: 16645 HEIMBACH RD, THREE RIVERS		DISTRICT: Kalamazoo
CITY: THREE RIVERS		COUNTY: SAINT JOSEPH
CONTACT: Al Stefanski , General Manager		ACTIVITY DATE: 09/01/2022
STAFF: Chance Collins	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Scheduled Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On September 1, 2022, AQD staff traveled to St. Joseph County to perform an inspection of W.F. Wells. The inspection was to determine the facility’s compliance with applicable state and federal air pollution control regulations.

AQD staff arrived on site at 8:55 a.m. to sunny conditions with a temperature of 65°F with a ENE wind of 6 mph. There were no noticeable odors upon arrival.

AQD staff met with Al Stefanski (General Manager) and Craig Gearhart (Production Manager) who walked staff around the facility and answered all questions.

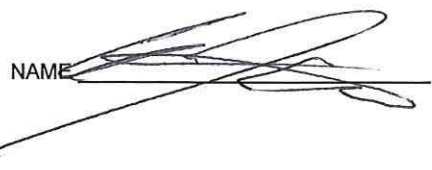
The following discusses the findings of the inspection and review of records:

The facility contains a paint room. Within the paint room there are two fans in the wall on the north side of the room which each contain filters and a cover/door. The filters appeared to be installed and maintained appropriately. The paint guns are gravity fed and cleaned after use. Coronado Industrial quick dry enamel is used in 1-gallon cans. It is mixed with Superthane component B (hardener) which comes in quart containers and xylene is used as a thinner. Most of the coating used is one color. Coating use records were reviewed on-site to verify compliance with Rule 287 (c) limits. The facility was well within these limits.

There is a Safety Clean cold cleaner that uses mineral spirits. The lid was closed, and rules were posted.

The facility plans to make paint line minimal and moving to mainly powder coating. There is a powder coating line at the facility (not yet installed). The facility intends to assemble the powder coating line within 1-2 months and operate under exemption R336.1287(2)(d).

The facility also has a welding area which includes mig/tig welding. There are two large wall fans in the area which is used to draw smoke out and air from the building.

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