

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

N797470654

FACILITY: Cockburn Island Forest Products		SRN / ID: N7974
LOCATION: 245 N FILLMORE RD, COLDWATER		DISTRICT: Kalamazoo
CITY: COLDWATER		COUNTY: BRANCH
CONTACT: Greg Frank , General Manager		ACTIVITY DATE: 01/24/2024
STAFF: Jared Edgerton	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Inspection of facility, and the compliance status		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On January 25, 2024 Air Quality Division (AQD) staff (Jared Edgerton and Cody Yazzie) arrived at 245 N Fillmore Road, Coldwater Michigan at 12:15 PM to conduct an unannounced air quality inspection of US Zinc SRN (N7974). Based on correspondence from the facility, staff believed that US Zinc left the facility in 2015, and the active permit was voided. Greg Frank contacted staff and informed them that US Zinc did leave the facility, and took all equipment to South Carolina. A new company named Cockburn Island Forest Products took over the building in 2020. The Facility still has a sign with the US Zinc logo, but it will be removed in a few weeks. Mr. Frank is considered the general manager of this business, and contract person for staff. It was stated to Mr. Frank that the purpose for the inspection was to understand the operation practices and to determine whether all emission units used by US Zinc were removed from the building.

Cockburn Island Forest Products manufactures and supplies various northern white cedar products. Log siding, tongue and groove paneling, decking, trim, fascia, and dimensional lumber are some of the products made by the facility. At this location, no manufacturing is conducted; the space is used strictly for warehouse storage. There are a total of three employees that work in the facility, one secretary, a product loader for export trucks, and Mr. Frank.

Mr. Frank gave staff a tour of the facility, and at the time, protective boots were the only PPE required. Staff observations and inspection are summarized below:

Inspection:

Staff walked into the warehouse and observed various cedar products. Logs, trims of varying lengths, paneling, handrails, and siding are sorted together in different locations in the large room. These products are staged to be easily accessible. Once purchased trucks are loaded with the product, then shipped off to the buyer. Mr. Frank stated during the inspection that no cutting, treatment, or manipulation of the wood occurs at this location. All manufacturing is performed on the island the wood is harvested. Staff walked through multiple connected rooms filled with wood products. It was noted that staff could see where previous equipment was decommissioned and taken out of the facility. Staff could not find any permitted equipment or emission units.

Conclusion of Inspection:

At the time of the inspection, activities performed at the facility do not require permitting or exemptions to operate. The facility appears to be in compliance, and staff concluded the Inspection at 12:45 PM. -JLE

NAME J Edgerton

DATE 01/29/24

SUPERVISOR Monica Brothers