

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

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FACILITY: American Classic		SRN / ID: F8470
LOCATION: 313 W STATE ROAD, NEWAYGO		DISTRICT: Grand Rapids
CITY: NEWAYGO		COUNTY: NEWAYGO
CONTACT: Mark Ramsey , Director of Operations		ACTIVITY DATE: 04/17/2024
STAFF: Scott Evans	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: On-site inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On April 17, 2024, State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Air Quality Division staff member Scott Evans conducted an on-site inspection of the American Classic recycling facility located at 313 State Rd. in Newaygo, Michigan, to assess compliance with air quality rules and regulations. This facility is a recycling facility that collects, sorts, and bales mixed recyclables such as plastics, papers, and cardboards for shipment to other facilities. The facility was the former site of Sandmold Operations until it ceased operations. American Classic purchased the facility and began operations in December of 2022.

Upon arrival, Scott Evans was greeted by Director of Operations, Mark Ramsey. After a discussion of the purpose of the visit and the current operations of the facility, an inspection of the facility was conducted. It was discussed by facility staff that no equipment or previous Sandmold Operations processes were present at the facility. This was confirmed during the inspection as it could be seen that all previous equipment had been removed from the facility. The facility is largely used as a storage warehouse for baled recyclables with one conveyor line in the center of the facility being used by multiple employees for hand-sorting mixed recyclables and two balers (one vertical and one horizontal) for compacting the recyclables. There are no shredding, incineration, or torch cutting operations at this facility.

At the conclusion of this inspection the facility appears not to be subject to any air permitting requirements. Mark Ramsey was advised that if any major changes requiring air permitting are made in the future, they should contact the AQD to ensure requirements are met.

NAME

Scott Evans

DATE

5/13/2024

SUPERVISOR

