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

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FACILITY: B & L PLATING		SRN / ID: N0058
LOCATION: 21353 EDOM, WARREN		DISTRICT: Warren
CITY: WARREN		COUNTY: MACOMB
CONTACT: Victor Pirrami , Plant Manager		ACTIVITY DATE: 08/20/2024
STAFF: Adam Bognar	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Self Initiated Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On Tuesday, August 20, 2024, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy-Air Quality Division (EGLE-AQD) staff Adam Bognar conducted a self-initiated inspection of B&L Plating located at 21353 EDOM, Warren, MI 48089. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the facility's compliance status with the Federal Clean Air Act; Article II, Part 55, Air Pollution Control of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 Public Act 451; Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Air Quality Division (EGLE-AQD) rules; and 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart N, National Emission Standards from Decorative Chromium Electroplating Tanks (Chrome NESHAP).

An additional goal of this inspection was to determine if B&L Plating is still in operation. The business is marked "permanently closed" on Google. The phone number for the facility is no longer in service.

I arrived at the facility at 9:30 am. I knocked on the door. Victor Pirrami, Manager, answered the door and let me inside. Victor explained that he has shut down operations. He showed me the former manufacturing plant. All tanks/rectifiers associated with the electroplating line have been removed. All that remains is a large (approximately 30'x30') 4-ft deep pit with around 4" of sludge at the bottom. All grinding equipment has also been removed.

Victor explained that he had already hauled away most of the plating bath liquid. All that remains is two half-full totes of copper plating liquid that he is waiting on someone to haul away. Victor stated that he is in contact with Todd Zynda of the EGLE Materials Management Division regarding the hazardous waste disposal process. Victor plans to get the sludge pumped out of the pit so he can fill the pit in with sand & concrete.

Based on my observations during this inspection, B&L Plating is no longer in operation. All AQD regulated equipment has been either removed or dismantled. The operating status will be changed to "Permanently Closed" in the AQD database.

NAME Adam Bognar

DATE 8/22/2024

SUPERVISOR