

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

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FACILITY: Tube Co.		SRN / ID: N6857
LOCATION: 23514 Groesbeck Highway, WARREN		DISTRICT: Warren
CITY: WARREN		COUNTY: MACOMB
CONTACT: Paul Clark , President		ACTIVITY DATE: 10/23/2024
STAFF: Jillian Cellini	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: SM OPT OUT
SUBJECT: Inspection to ensure equipment associated with PTI #294-00F and #120-02 have been removed (void PTIs)		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On Wednesday, October 23, 2024, I (Jillian Cellini, EGLE-AQD) conducted a scheduled inspection of Tube Co., formerly PPI Aerospace, located at 23514 Groesbeck Highway, Warren, MI. The purpose of the inspection was to confirm that equipment including a batch vapor degreaser and 6 plating/coating lines were removed from the facility, therefore voiding PTI #294-00F and #120-02.

I arrived at the location at around 8:15 AM. I identified myself and was then shown into a meeting room where I met Jhonny Joel (Joel) Torres, the maintenance supervisor for Tube Co. He explained that Paul Clark, who I was originally supposed to meet with, was out sick that day so he would be showing me around the facility. He also explained that he was the maintenance supervisor as well for PPI Aerospace, so he was familiar with the equipment that had previously been housed at the facility. Joel explained that Tube Co. is a tube manufacturer that focuses on tube cutting and fabrication (end-forming, wire-brushing, and deburring) of metal tubes.

Joel showed me around the current Tube Co. facility and pointed out where the permitted equipment used to be. He explained that the space that Tube Co. now occupies used to be the main building for PPI Aerospace. I observed that the batch vapor degreaser (EUDEGREASER, PTI #294-00F), 5 plating and coating lines (FG-COATING and FG-SOURCE, PTI #120-02), 5 sandblasting units, 4 ovens, 1 cold cleaner, 1 boiler, all plating line tanks, and all masking applications were completely removed. Water and gas lines were cut and capped/closed off when needed. Joel explained that the back building (23510 Groesbeck Highway, Warren, MI) now was rented to a different company, though it was previously used by PPI Aerospace. He stated that 2 paint booths, 1 sandblasting unit, 1 boiler, and 1 plating line (FG-COATING and FG-SOURCE, PTI #120-02) were previously housed there but he had observed that they were removed when PPI Aerospace vacated the location. We were unable to gain access to this back building during the inspection on 10/23/2024. I returned to the site on 10/31/2024 and met with Paul Clark, who showed me around the back building. I confirmed that all previous equipment that was used by PPI Aerospace had been removed. Paul stated that a

painting company is currently renting the building temporarily as a space where they will likely do maintenance on their trucks while they look for a permanent space.

After visiting the back building on 10/23/2024, Joel showed me to the emergency generator that was still on the site, though it has been permanently disabled. Joel said that when the location loses power, everyone goes home for the day.

The tube manufacturing processes I observed at Tube Co. (cutting, end-forming, wire-brushing, and deburring) emitted only to the general in-plant environment are exempt under R 336.1285(2)(I)(i) and R 336.1285(2)(I)(vi)(B).

Conclusion

Based on the EGLE-AQD inspection, the batch vapor degreaser (EUDEGREASER, PTI #294-00F) and 6 plating and coating lines (FG-COATING and FG-SOURCE, PTI #120-02), located at 23514 Groesbeck Highway, Warren, MI and operated by PPI Aerospace are no longer operational and have been removed. Therefore, per Rule 201(5), PTI #294-00F and #120-02 can be voided.

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DATE 11/1/2024

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