

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
AIR QUALITY DIVISION

ACTIVITY REPORT: Self Initiated Inspection

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FACILITY: ALTA Equipment Company		SRN / ID: U63130130
LOCATION: 56195 Pontiac Trail		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: New Hudson		COUNTY: OAKLAND
CONTACT: Brian St. Louis, Director of Product Support		ACTIVITY DATE: 07/08/2015
STAFF: Rebecca Loftus	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS:
SUBJECT:		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On July 8, 2015, Kerry Kelly, and I, Rebecca Loftus, from the Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD), conducted an inspection of ALTA Equipment Company, located at 56195 Pontiac Trail, in New Hudson, Michigan. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the facility's compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act of 1994, PA 451, as amended, and Michigan's Air Pollution Control Rules.

Facility Overview

ALTA Equipment Company has approximately 20 locations state-wide. At this location ALTA sells and rents a variety of new/used heavy construction equipment. This location opened in 2012 and is open Monday through Friday from 7:00am - 5:30pm.

Inspection

We arrived on-site at 11:20am and met with Brain St. Louis, Director of Product Support. During our inspection, I provided him with a copy of the "What to Expect from an Environmental Compliance Inspection" brochure and a copy of AQD's Permit to Install Exemption Handbook. Mr. St. Louis escorted us through the building and I observed the following:

The building has office space and two garages/work areas used for conducting maintenance-type services on the construction equipment.

The first garage area (customer side) has multiple stations available for equipment maintenance and oil changes. The oil is collected and picked up by a waste oil recycler. The garage has two natural gas fueled, 150,000 Btu, space heaters used in the winter and a total of three small parts washers. During my inspection, I noted the lids of the parts washers were properly closed and I provided Mr. St. Louis with AQD's Cold Cleaner Operating Procedures Stickers. The parts washers use mineral spirits and appear to be exempt from obtaining a permit to install (PTI) pursuant to Rule 281(h). The two natural gas heaters appear to be exempt from obtaining a PTI pursuant to Rule 282(b)(i).

In the second garage area, ALTA performs maintenance activities on internal equipment. This area has one mineral spirits parts washer and a paint booth. I noted the painters had HVLP spray guns and the filters appeared to be properly installed. Although paint usage records were not available at the time of my inspection, based on the estimated paint usage, the paint booth appears to be exempt from obtaining a permit to install pursuant to Rule 287(c). Mr. St. Louis will be providing the AQD with paint records by the end of the week.

In addition to the observed equipment, Mr. St. Louis explained there are no large boilers, fire pumps, or emergency generators at the facility.

Record Keeping

On July 14, 2015, Mr. St. Louis provided paint purchase records for 2014 and 2015 (see attached). In 2014 ALTA purchased 104 gallons of paint and from January through June 2015 purchased 67 gallons. Mr. St. Louis also provided a copy of the daily paint usage tracking sheet he has established for the paint booth (see attached).

Conclusion

Based on my inspection observations, the records provided, and the established record keeping, at this time, ALTA appears to be in compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act and Michigan's Air Pollution Control Rules.

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*Rebecca Loftus*

DATE

7/15/15

SUPERVISOR

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