

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AIR QUALITY DIVISION
ACTIVITY REPORT: Scheduled Inspection

B659838000

FACILITY: PORT CITY PAINTS INC		SRN / ID: B6598
LOCATION: 1250 NINTH, MUSKEGON		DISTRICT: Grand Rapids
CITY: MUSKEGON		COUNTY: MUSKEGON
CONTACT: Abe Pastoor , Assistant Manager		ACTIVITY DATE: 12/21/2016
STAFF: Chris Robinson	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: The purpose of this inspection was to determine the facility's compliance status with all applicable air quality rules and regulations.		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

AQD staff Chris Robinson (CR) and Steve Lachance (SL) were on-site to conduct a scheduled unannounced inspection on Tuesday December 20, 2016. CR and SL arrived at Port City Paints Inc. at approximately 9:30 am and met with Abe Pastoor, Assistant Manager. No odors or visible emissions were detected. AQD staff presented Mr. Pastoor with business cards and informed them that AQD was there to perform an inspection of the facility to determine compliance status with applicable air rules and regulations.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

As of the last inspection, 3/22/2007, Port City Paints manufactured new paint. In July 2007 Repcolite Paints, Inc. acquired Port City Paints. Currently, the Muskegon facility only recycles latex paint. The new paint manufacturing process was transferred to their Repcolite facility located in Holland, Michigan. The facility still operates their retail sales, which includes solvent, recycled paint, new paint manufactured from their Holland facility and other Repcolite products.

COMPLIANCE EVALUATION

Port City Paints is considered to be a minor source and no permits have been issued. With the exception of the Kady Dispersion Mill, the equipment being utilized was installed prior to August 15, 1967 and is therefore considered "grandfathered" and is not subject to New Source Review permitting requirements. The Kady Mill was installed at an unknown date between 1976 and 1986, thus making it subject to Rule 201.

In past inspections, the Kady Mill was considered exempt under Rule 290. As of this inspection, the facility has removed components necessary for the operation (mixing head) of the **Kady Mill** and disconnected it from power, rendering the unit inoperable. Based on the age of the unit and the fact that Port City Paints no longer manufactures new Paint, it is unlikely that this unit will operate in the near future. In addition, the **Roller Mill**, which was noted in the previous inspection report, was removed from the facility.

The facility owns/operates the following paint blending equipment:

- Shar Dissolver (for pigment pre-mix)
- **Kady Dispersion Mill (for thorough mixing of ingredients)**
- High Speed Mixer (Old Version of the Kady)
- **Roller Mill (infrequently used, for certain pigments)**
- Dissolver Tank (for final thinning)

The facility is subject to **Rule 630** for VOC emissions from existing paint manufacturing processes. Port City Paints is still considered a paint manufacturer because the recycling process involves mixing old paint (liquid) with new pigments and 50% virgin paint to form new paint (surface coatings), per **Rule 116(b)**. At the time of this inspection, all of the equipment containing paint or solvent was covered as required per **Rule 630 (2)**. Equipment is cleaned with either water or xylene solvent. Recycled Paint is not diluted with solvent as required during the new paint manufacturing process. Therefore, very little solvent is being used and per Mr. Pastoor, the facility is using much less than when they were manufacturing new paint. New and waste solvent is kept in covered containers at all times.

COMPLIANCE DETERMINATION

Based on observations made during the December 20, 2016 inspection, Port City Paints appears to be in compliance with applicable air quality rules and regulations.

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DATE

12/28/2016

SUPERVISOR



12/28/2016