

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

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FACILITY: VANTEK CORP		SRN / ID: N2594
LOCATION: 1511 E GROVE ST, MIDLAND		DISTRICT: Bay City
CITY: MIDLAND		COUNTY: MIDLAND
CONTACT: Jim Geisler		ACTIVITY DATE: 09/27/2022
STAFF: Benjamin Witkopp	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Facility Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On September 27, 2022, Ben Witkopp of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) - Air Quality Division (MDEQ-AQD) stopped in to check on Vantek and its current state of operations. The facility has air permit 762-90. The facility entrance is found at 1511 E Grove Street but it did not show any sign of recent use. I then went to 1406 E Pine Street as that is where Jim Geisler of Geisler Enterprises, and owner of Vantek, has an office. Jim was not there. I proceeded down the hallways until I found someone who told me that Jim is a County Commissioner and he was at the commissioner meeting that is held on Tuesdays. I was given one of Jim's business cards and provided his cell phone number too. I was told the best means of contacting him was via text.

Over the next few days, I called the office number but the mailbox was full. I also sent texts to Jim that were unanswered. Eventually I was able to contact Jim via cell phone. He said he still maintains contact with retirees from Dow to produce the material when / if there is an order placed. Vantek produces a material, vanadous formate, used to remove radioactive scale from nuclear reactors. The operation is permitted via 762-90. I asked if it was time to void the permit. Jim said he wished to retain it.

He confirmed the last production was in 2016 when four 55 gallon barrels where shipped to the British Royal Navy and there has been no production since. I reminded Jim that actual monthly material usage rates should be kept when / if additional production occurs in the future. He said to feel free to stop by any time other than during the commissioner meetings on Tuesdays but things have not changed.

The facility is considered in compliance / non-operational.

NAME B. Witkopp

DATE 9-30-2022 SUPERVISOR C. Hove