

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

N360154886

FACILITY: NIPPON PAINT COLOR DESIGN		SRN / ID: N3601
LOCATION: 44382 MACOMB IND DR, MOUNT CLEMENS		DISTRICT: Warren
CITY: MOUNT CLEMENS		COUNTY: MACOMB
CONTACT:		ACTIVITY DATE: 08/07/2020
STAFF: Kaitlyn Leffert	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: Minor
SUBJECT: FY2020 Scheduled Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On August 7th, 2020, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Air Quality Division staff Kaitlyn Leffert conducted a drive-by inspection of Nippon Paint Color Design, located at 44382 Macomb Industrial Drive, Mt. Clemens. Nippon is identified by the Source Registration Number (SRN) N3601. The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act; Article II, Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 Act 451, as amended (Act 451); AQD administrative rules; and Permit to Install (PTI) Number 736-92.

Facility History

Nippon Paint Color Design is permitted to operate a painting and curing line with associated dry filter control. The permit was issued in December 1992 and according to our records, notification of installation of the equipment was made on March 4, 1993. Nippon Color Design was a subset of Nippon Paint and at the time of permit issuance, Michigan was the headquarters of the Nippon Color Design Studio America (CDSA). CDSA was later re-named Nippon Paint Research Institute, or NRIA and then eventually was dissolved in 2010. According to the Nippon Paint website, the company no longer operates in Michigan and is primarily based out of Asia. The remaining locations in the United States are in New Jersey, Illinois, California, and Ohio.

Facility Visit

Due to ongoing concerns related to COVID-19, inspections are to be scheduled ahead of time or conducted virtually to minimize unnecessary contact with other people. However, due to the unknown operating status of the company and the length of time since the permit was issued, I opted to first stop by the location while out in the field to see what was located at the address.

I arrived at the facility around 11:30 am and noted that the at the address where the coating equipment was permitted to operate there was now a business called American Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling. The business did not appear to be open at the time of my visit. Following my visit, I looked up American Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling and identified that they do repair and installation work on furnaces, air conditioners, plumping and water lines, and other assorted equipment at commercial and residential locations.

Conclusion

Based on the fact that Nippon Paint no longer operates in Michigan and the fact that the facility is now occupied by a business that does not operate a coating line, it appears that the equipment covered by PTI No. 736-92 is no longer in operation and the permit should be voided.

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DATE 09/01/2020

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