

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
AIR QUALITY DIVISION  
ACTIVITY REPORT: Self Initiated Inspection

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FY 2018 Insp

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FACILITY: Punati Chemicals Corporation		SRN / ID: N4991
LOCATION: 1187 CENTRE RD, AUBURN HILLS		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: AUBURN HILLS		COUNTY: OAKLAND
CONTACT:		ACTIVITY DATE: 01/18/2018
STAFF: Iranna Konanahalli	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Punati Chemicals Corporation ("Punati"), 1187 Centre Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

**Rubright Industries (N4991)**  
**Punati Chemicals Corporation (N4991)**  
**Hirschmann Car Communication, Inc. (U-63-18-00435)**  
**Punati Chemicals Corporation (U-63-18- 00436)**

**N4991: Rubright Industries moved out about a decade ago. Punati Chemicals Corporation (1160 N. Opdyke Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2645) uses 1187 Centre building as a storage facility for raw materials and products (SMELLSBEGONE). Punati performs no manufacturing at 1187 Centre.**

**SRN reassign: Rubright Industries (N4991) → Punati Chemicals Corporation (N4991). Punati uses 1187 Centre building only for storage of raw materials and products.**

**PTI to be voided: PTI No. 426-92 dated November 17, 1993, issued to Rubright Industries (N4991) for Vinyl Injection Molding.**

On January 09 (Rubright & Hirschmann) and 18 (Punati), 2018, I conducted a level-2 **FY2018 scheduled inspection** of Rubright Industries ("Rubright") and self-initiated inspections of Hirschmann Car Communication, Inc. ("Hirschmann") & Punati Chemicals Corporation ("Punati") located at:

- N4991: Rubright Industries ("Rubright"), 1187 Centre Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326-2603. Rubright moved out about a decade ago.**
- N4991: Punati Chemicals Corporation ("Punati"), 1187 Centre Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326-2603. Punati uses this facility, for its Opdyke Road plant, only for storage of raw materials and products (SMELLSBEGONE). No manufacturing.**
- U-63-18- 00435: Hirschmann Car Communication, Inc. ("Hirschmann"), 1183 Centre Road, Auburn Hills MI 48326-2603. Sales, engineering, shipping functions only. No manufacturing.**
- U-63-18- 00436: Punati Chemicals Corporation ("Punati"), 1160 N. Opdyke Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2645. Punati blends components in mixing tanks, fills bottles (16 -32 oz) and sells products under a tradename SMELLSBEGONE.**

The inspections were conducted 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 PA 451; and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division (MDEQ-AQD) administrative rules.

During the FY 2018 inspection, Ms. Ruth Clem (Phone: 248-373-7150- ext. 201; Fax: NA; Cell: 586-604-5563; E-mail: rClem@Hirschmann-mi.com), Executive Asst., Hirschmann Car Communication, Inc., 1183 Centre Road, Auburn Hills MI 48326, a neighbor of Rubright, assisted me.

Also, during the FY 2018 inspection, Mr. John Hascall (Phone: 248-276-0101; Fax: 248-276-0103; Cell: NA; E-mail: jHascall@Punati.com), Plant Manager, Punati, assisted me.

The purpose of the inspections was to inspect a company that has not been inspected for nearly decade by MDEQ-AQD; AQD's (F. Lim's) most recent inspection of Rubright was on February 17, 2011.

### **Rubright Industries (N4991)**

Rubright Industries moved out about a decade ago. Punati Chemicals Corporation uses 1187 Centre building as a storage facility. Punati performs no manufacturing at 1187 Centre. This information is according to Ms. Ruth Clem of Hirschmann and my walk-through inspection.

### **Punati Chemicals Corporation (N4991)**

Assisted by Mr. John Hascall, I conducted an inspection on January 18, 2018. Since 2015, Punati uses this 1187 Centre building only for storage of raw materials and products (SMELLSBEGONE). No manufacturing. Unlike 1160 N. Opdyke building, no perfume odor inside the building.

### **Hirschmann Car Communication, Inc. (U-63-18-00435)**

According to Ms. Ruth Clem and a walkthrough inspection, Hirschmann does not perform manufacturing at this location. At Auburn Hills, Hirschmann performs sales, engineering, shipping functions only. The antenna and tuner products are imported from other manufacturing plants. Hirschmann deals in antennas and tuner systems (transmitter and receiver) for analogue, digital radio mobile communications, internet, navigation, infotainment, satellite services, etc. for cars, security devices, tracking devices (e.g. asset), etc.

### **Punati Chemicals Corporation (U-63-18-00436)**

Founded in 1978 by Mr. Bernard Shandler, Punati makes deodorizers for home use. Punati performs no chemical reactions but only blending and filling of components. For SMELLSBEGONE product, Punati purchases raw materials and blends them. Two (2) 800-gallon and three (3) 500-gallon mixing tanks are present and the raw materials are blended in them. Thus mixed product is transferred to totes and drums for filling operations. From totes and drums, 16-32 fluid ounce bottles are filled and sold as consumer product under trade name SMELLSBEGONE.

Inside the plant, there is a strong perfume odor. However, I did not detect odor outside the plant. No exhaust to outside ambient air from filling and mixing operations. However, one small building ventilation fan is present.

**Conclusion**

As Rubright and FCA moved out, Punati uses 1187 Centre building only for storage.

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