

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

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FACILITY: VIOLA LABARGE		SRN / ID: N5458
LOCATION: 440 NORTH PADDOCK, PONTIAC		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: PONTIAC		COUNTY: OAKLAND
CONTACT: GEORGE KOCH, OWNER		ACTIVITY DATE: 11/27/2013
STAFF: Rem Pinga	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: Minor
SUBJECT: Unannounced Level 2 Target Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On 11/27/2013, I conducted an unannounced level 2 target inspection at Viola Labarge located at 440 N. Paddock, Pontiac, Michigan 48342. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the facility's compliance with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act; Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994. PA 451, as amended (Act 451), the Administrative Rules, and the facility's Permit to Install No. 628-94. When I arrived at the facility, I found out that the address now belongs to an automotive repair shop called Perry Street Auto Service and owned by Mr. George Koch. As part of the inspection process, I initially showed my credential (ID Badge), stated the purpose of my visit, and gave a copy of the pamphlet "Environmental Inspections: Rights and Responsibilities" to Mr. Koch. Mr. Koch informed me that he bought the property from Viola Labarge in November 1989 who operated a gas station before the sale of the property. He also mentioned that part of the sale agreement was for Ms. Labarge to deal with resolving the soil contamination issues.

Mr. Koch mentioned that the two-stage vapor carbon control under PTI No. 628-94 was never installed since the contaminated soils were removed from the site and sent somewhere. Instead, monitoring wells were drilled and capped. A copy of a closure report was provided to AQD staff with a letter from then DEQ Underground Storage Tank Division dated August 27, 1996, concluding the corrective action at the site with some restricted use conditions such as no groundwater recovery wells on-site, soil in certain sections of the property considered impacted and cannot be excavated and removed without appropriate environmental sampling and disposal, etc., and a future USTD audit may be conducted on-site. Mr. Koch also showed me around the property and pointed at the covers of some of the monitoring wells that were capped.

As a result of my inspection, I will be recommending to void PTI No. 628-94 since the equipment/process was not installed within 18 months after the issuance of the permit and per General Condition No. 13 of PTI No. 628-94 and/or amended AQD Administrative Rule R 336.1201(4). Mr. Koch also sent a letter dated November 30, 2013 recommending closing this permit.

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DATE

12/4/2013

SUPERVISOR

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