

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AIR QUALITY DIVISION
ACTIVITY REPORT: Complaint Investigation

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FACILITY: SMR Automotive Systems USA, Inc.		SRN / ID: N7411
LOCATION: 1875 BUSHA HIGHWAY, MARYSVILLE		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: MARYSVILLE		COUNTY: SAINT CLAIR
CONTACT: David Heise , Facilities Manager		ACTIVITY DATE: 10/11/2016
STAFF: Rem Pinga	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: SM OPT OUT
SUBJECT: Odor Complaint Investigation		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS: C-17-00092		

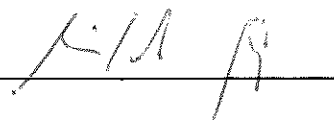
On 10/11/2016, I conducted an odor complaint investigation at SMR Automotive Systems USA, Inc. located at 1875 Busha Highway, Marysville, Michigan. I was in the area from 1145 hours through 1300 hours. I initially drove towards the complainant's address and conducted odor observations in the neighborhood. I conducted odor observations along Connecticut Avenue and along Drawbridge Court but did not observe any odors. I drove south along Busha Highway while conducting odor observations. I smelled a very light and intermittent odor along the north side of Busha Highway and then continued to conduct odor observations along Cuttle Road from Busha Highway going towards Michigan Avenue. Since the wind was blowing towards the north to northwest (SSE wind) direction, this location was upwind from the facility at the time of the odor investigation. I stopped at several points to conduct odor observations and did not observe any odors. I conducted odor observations outside of the housing streets west of Michigan Avenue and along Michigan Avenue going north from Cuttle Road towards Busha Highway. Busha Highway intersects Michigan Avenue about quarter mile north from the facility. I did not observe any odors along Cuttle Road and Michigan Avenue.

Next, I went to the facility to talk to Mr. David Heise, facility contact. Mr. Heise was not at the facility but he referred me to Mr. Shawn Fransek, the current acting Paint Plant Manager. I informed Mr. Fransek about the odor complaint and showed him the spot in the facility's parking lot where I observed an intermittent but fairly distinct odor. I informed him that the odor we were observing does not constitute a violation of AQD Rule 901 but it would be an opportunity for the facility to investigate the potential source/cause of the odor. I found out that this is his first assignment in the coating operations, thus, I discussed with him historical situations at the paint department where I observed fugitive odors caused by leaks from the paint shop which can be prevented through proper housekeeping. Mr. Fransek mentioned that he will look into the matter and contact me of his findings.

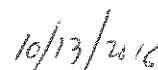
I conducted another round of odor observations after I left the facility. I drove throught the same roads as discussed above and conducted odor observations. I did not observe odors upwind from the facility but detected the same very faint and intermittent odor along Busha Highway and downwind from the Paint Shop building of SMR.

As a result of the odor investigation, I am resolving the above complaints and will continue to conduct odor observations when in the area.

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