

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

U68180024143041

FACILITY: Gascho's Sawmill -N2190		SRN / ID: U681800241
LOCATION: 99 N. Abbe Rd		DISTRICT: Gaylord
CITY: Fairview		COUNTY: OSCODA
CONTACT:		ACTIVITY DATE: 01/16/2018
STAFF: Sharon LeBlanc	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS:
SUBJECT: Site visit for minor source permitted for sawdust and chip burner - Request for permit voidance made electronically on 1/17/2018. sgl		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On January 16, 2018, AQD District Staff conducted a drive by inspection of the Former Gascho's Sawmill located at 99 N. Abbe Road, Fairview Michigan (N2190). The facility was selected from a listing of minor sources not presently in MACES to determine if the Facility was still in operation and if the sawdust and woodchip burner permitted for the facility in 1990 (415-89) was still located onsite.

Driving by the facility it was noted that a number of buildings, as well as stacked lumber was on the site. However, the drives were fenced or gated, and there was no sign of activity since the previous nights snowfall. In addition, there was no business sign on the property.

A n internet search identified the address as that for Panel Concepts LLC, and listed the business as building/construction. The phone number listed was found to no longer be in use. The Oscoda County equalization office identified the property as owned by John Eldon Gascho, Dale Marie Gascho and Dustin Gascho and indicated that the billing address was 150 N. Abbe Road, Fairview, Michigan.

A phone call was made and voice mail message left at the residence of John and Dale Gascho requesting a call back regarding the 1990 permitted equipment. The return call was made on January 17, 2018, at which time Mr. John Gascho reported that the sawmill including the permitted sawdust/wood chip burner were destroyed in a fire in 1996 or 1997, and that not only did the permitted equipment no longer exist, but that the facility is presently just being used as his private workshop. Staff thanked Mr. Gascho for the information and indicated that they would notify Lansing Permit Staff, and that the permit would be voided, and he would receive a letter documenting the voidance.

NAME Sharon LeBlanc DATE 1/17/2018 SUPERVISOR SN