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July 6, 2009

**Re: United Tool & Machine, Inc.**  
DHWM Complaint Investigation  
Used Oil Generator  
Logan County, SWDO  
Notice of Violation/Return  
to Compliance  
OHR000156851

Mr. Claude Heintz  
United Tool & Machine, Inc.  
490 N. Main St.  
P.O. Box 307  
Lakeview, Ohio 43331

Dear Mr. Heintz:

On June 3, 2009, Ohio EPA received a complaint submitted via Ohio EPA's web site regarding a fire that was set by United Tool and Machine (UTM) located at 490 N. Main St. in Lakeview. Terry Sanner with Ohio EPA's Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) initially investigated the complaint on June 3, 2009 and discovered that UTM was burning waste for disposal purposes. This resulted in Craig Osborne issuing a Notice of Violation on behalf of DAPC for UTM's open burning. According to DAPC, UTM was burning cutting fluids (used oil) and metal shavings to avoid proper disposal. Also, Cherokee landfill informed UTM that their waste had too much free liquid.

During my and Craig Osborne's June 22, 2009 site visit, you showed us around your facility. I determined that UTM had burnt absorbent used to clean used oil off your floor. You explained that employees didn't allow the absorbent to sit long enough prior to sweeping it off the floor and that some metal shavings would have been mixed in the floor sweepings. The fact that employees did not allow the absorbent to soak up the used oil from the floor caused this waste stream to have too much free liquid. As long as UTM properly uses absorbent, Cherokee landfill should accept this waste stream.

Also, you showed me your used oil tank outside. You use it to heat your facility during that winter. When you have too much used oil for this tank, you have Clean Water dispose of it. On June 22, 2009, you provided me with a copy of UTM's recent used oil disposal records from Clean Water. If you ever have absorbent with too much free liquid in the future, you should contact Clean Water to see if they can dispose of it for

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you. If not, I'm enclosing a list of other Used Oil Recyclers for your reference. However, to prevent this from happening again in the future, **please prepare and forward a procedure to be implemented at UTM regarding its use of absorbent within 15 days upon your receipt of this letter.**

Additionally, I found the following violation of Ohio's hazardous waste laws:

***Used Oil Storage Requirements for Generators***  
**OAC 3745-279-22(C)**

Containers used to stored used oil at generator facilities must be labeled with the words "Used Oil".

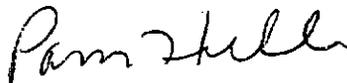
UTM failed to label your used oil tank with the words "Used Oil".

On June 23, 2009, UTM sent me an e-mail with a digital photo showing that the used oil tank was labeled with the words "Used Oil", and this action **corrected** the above violation.

Also on June 24, 2009, I e-mailed you information regarding pallet and cardboard recyclers. Let me know if this information was helpful when you forward your Used Oil Absorbent Plan.

Please call me at (937) 285-6091 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Pam Hull  
District Representative  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

Enclosure

cc: Dinah Crawford, SWDO-DHWM/SWDO file  
SWDO-file: United Tool and Machine, Used Oil Generator, Logan County  
Craig Osborne, SWDO-DAPC

**Notice:**

Ohio EPA's failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this letter does not relieve your company from having to comply with all applicable regulations.

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