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May 27, 2008

Mr. Tom Fleming
Hohman Plating & Mfg., Inc.
814 Hillrose Avenue
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RE: Hohman Plating & Mfg., Inc.; Hazardous Waste; Montgomery County; OHD004278362;
Notice of Violation

Dear Mr. Fleming:

On April 16, 2008, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) conducted a compliance evaluation of Hohman Plating & Mfg., Inc. (Hohman) to determine your compliance with Ohio's hazardous waste laws and regulations as found under the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Ohio EPA's inspection included an inspection of facility operations and a review of written documentation and records. During the inspection we also discussed pollution prevention and waste reduction. This letter will explain the violations we found and what you need to do to correct the violations.

1. Weekly Inspections

Hohman is in violation of OAC 3745-66-74 for failing to conduct and record the required weekly inspections of the container accumulation area. Our review of the weekly inspection documentation revealed that Hohman has been conducting weekly inspections but did not complete them once in every seven day period. **Please continue the weekly inspections and ensure they occur once every seven day period.** A re-inspection will be conducted to review the inspection logs to verify that the inspections are occurring once in a seven day period.

2. Use and Management of Containers

Hohman is in violation of OAC 3745-66-73(B) for failing to handle a container in such a manner as to prevent leakage. A bag located in the <90 day storage area was leaking. **Please respond to this notice with a description of the actions taken to identify the cause(s) of leakage, the clean-up process used, what steps have been taken to prevent a reoccurrence, and a copy of the manifest showing proper disposal of this container.**

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General Concerns

Contingency Plan: The contingency plan is in the process of being updated. A recent decision had been made by Hohman to add personnel to the emergency contact list. Please be reminded to keep this plan updated.

Daily Tank Inspections: As we discussed during the inspection, Ohio EPA is reviewing the issue of whether or not hazardous waste tanks must be inspected on a daily basis as required by OAC 3745-55-95. This would include weekends and off-days if hazardous waste is being stored in a tank. Please continue with your daily inspections while we evaluate how to address the inspection issue.

The Division of Hazardous Waste Management has created an electronic news service to provide you with quick and timely updates on events and news related to hazardous waste activities in Ohio. If you haven't already, we encourage you to sign-up for this free service. You can find more information at the following web address: www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm/listserv.html. Please feel free to share this information with your colleagues. You can find copies of the rules, compliance checklists, and other information on the division's web page at www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm.

A re-inspection will be conducted document Hohman's return to compliance with the items described above. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6083.

Sincerely,



Brian Marlatt
Environmental Specialist
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

cc: Dinah Crawford, DHWM/SWDO File
 Amy Phillips, Hohman Plating (w/out enc.)

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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.

**...GE QUANTITY GENERATOR REQUIREMENTS
COMPLETE AND ATTACH A PROCESS DESCRIPTION SUMMARY**

CESQG: ≤ 100Kg. (Approximately 25-30 gallons) of waste in a calendar month or < 1 Kg. of acutely hazardous waste.

SQG: Between 100 and 1,000 Kg. (About 25 to under 300 gallons) of waste in a calendar month.

LQG: ≥ 1,000 Kg. (~300 gallons) of waste in a calendar month or ≥ 1 Kg. of acutely hazardous waste in a calendar month.

NOTE: To convert from gallons to pounds: Amount in gallons x Specific Gravity x 8.345 = Amounts in pounds.

Safety Equipment Used:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

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| 1. Have all wastes generated at the facility been adequately evaluated? [3745-52-11] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Are records of waste determination being kept for at least 3 years?[3745-52-40(C)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Has the generator obtained a U.S. EPA identification number? [3745-52-12] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Were annual reports filed with Ohio EPA on or before March 1 st ? [3745-52-41(A)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Are annual reports kept on file for at least 3 years?[3745-52-40(B)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Has the generator transported or caused to be transported hazardous waste to other than a facility authorized to manage the hazardous waste? [ORC 3734.02(F)] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Has the generator disposed of hazardous waste on-site without a permit or at another facility other than a facility authorized to dispose of the hazardous waste? [ORC 3734.02(E) & (F)] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Does the generator accumulate hazardous waste? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |

NOTE: If the LQG does not accumulate or treat hazardous waste, it is not subject to 52-34 standards. All other requirements still apply, e.g., annual reports, manifest, marking, record keeping, LDR, etc.

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| 9. Has the generator accumulated hazardous waste on-site in excess of 90 days without a permit or an extension from the director ORC §3734.02 (E) & (F)? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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NOTE: If F006 waste is generated and accumulated for > 90 days and is recycled see 3745-52-34(G) & (H).

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| 10. Does the generator treat hazardous waste in a: [ORC 3734.02(E)&(F)] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a. Container that meets 3745-66-70 to 3745-66-77? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Tank that meets 3745-66-90 to 3745-66-101 except 3745-66-97 (C)? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Drip pads that meet 3745-69-40 to 3745-69-45? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Containment building that meets 3745-256-100 to 3745-256-102? | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |

NOTE: Complete appropriate checklist for each unit.

NOTE: If waste is treated to meet LDRs, use LDR checklist.

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| 11. Does the generator export hazardous waste? If so: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a. Has the generator notified U.S. EPA of export activity? [3745-52-53(A)] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Has the generator complied with special manifest requirements? [3745-52-54] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. For manifests that have not been returned to the generator: has an exception report been filed? [3745-52-55] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Has an annual report been submitted to U.S. EPA? [3745-52-56] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Are export related documents being maintained on-site? [3745-52-57(A)] | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |

MANIFEST REQUIREMENTS

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| 12. Have all hazardous wastes shipped off-site been accompanied by a manifest? (U.S. EPA Form 8700-22) [3745-52-20(A)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. Have items (1) through (20) of each manifest been completed? [3745-52-20(A)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |

NOTE: U.S. EPA Form 8700-22(A) (the continuation form) may be needed in addition to Form 8700-22. In these situations items (21) through (35) must also be completed. [3745-52-20(A)]

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| 14. Does each manifest designate at least one facility which is permitted to handle the waste? [3745-52-20(B)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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NOTE: The generator may designate on the manifest one alternate facility to handle the waste in the event of an emergency which prevents the delivery of waste to the primary designated facility. [3745-52-20(C)].

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| 15. If the transporter was unable to deliver a shipment of hazardous waste to the designated facility did the generator designate an alternate TSD facility or give the transporter instructions to return the waste? [3745-52-20(D)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 16. Have the manifests been signed by the generator and initial transporter? [3745-52-23(A)(1) & (2)] | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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NOTE: Remind the generator that the certification statement they signed indicates: 1) they have properly prepared the shipment for transportation and 2) they have a program in place to reduce the volume and toxicity waste they generate.

17. If the generator did not receive a return copy of each completed manifest within 35 days of the waste being accepted by the transporter did the generator contact the transporter and/or TSD facility to check on the status of the waste? [3745-52-42(A)(1)] Yes No N/A
18. If the generator has not received the manifest within 45 days, did the generator file an exception report with Ohio EPA? [3745-52-42(A)(2)] Yes No N/A
19. Are signed copies of all manifests and any exception reports being retained for at least three years? [3745-52-40] Yes No N/A

NOTE: Waste generated at one location and transported along a publicly accessible road for temporary consolidated storage or treatment on a contiguous property also owned by the same person is not considered "on-site" and manifesting and transporter requirements must be met. To transport "along" a public right-of-way the destination facility has to act as a transfer facility or have a permit because this is considered to be "off-site." For additional information see the definition of "on-site" in OAC rule 3745-50-10.

PERSONNEL TRAINING

20. Does the generator have a training program which teaches facility personnel hazardous waste management procedures (including contingency plan implementation) relevant to their positions? [3745-65-16(A)(2)] Yes No N/A
21. Does the personnel training program, at a minimum, include instructions to ensure that facility personnel are able to respond effectively to emergencies involving hazardous waste by familiarizing them with emergency procedures, emergency equipment and emergency systems (where applicable)? [3745-65-16(A)(3)(a-f)] Yes No N/A
22. Is the personnel training program directed by a person trained in hazardous waste management procedures? [3745-65-16(A)(2)] Yes No N/A
23. Do new employees receive training within six months after the date of hire (or assignment to a new position)? [3745-65-16(B)] Yes No N/A
24. Does the generator provide annual refresher training to employees? [3745-65-16(C)] Yes No N/A
25. Does the generator keep records and documentation of:
- a. Job titles [3745-65-16D(1)]? Yes No N/A
 - b. Job descriptions [3745-65-16D(2)]? Yes No N/A
 - c. Type and amount of training given to each person [3745-65-16D(3)]? Yes No N/A
 - d. Completed training or job experience required [3745-65-16D(4)]? Yes No N/A
26. Are training records for current personnel kept until closure of the facility and are training records for former employees kept for at least three years from the date the employee last worked at the facility? [3745-65-16(E)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: The following section can be used by the inspector to document that all personnel who are involved with hazardous waste management have been trained. The employees who need training (written and/or on-the-job) may include the following: environmental coordinators, drum handlers, emergency coordinators, personnel who conduct hazardous waste inspections, emergency response teams, personnel who prepare manifest, etc.

Job Performed	Name of Employee	Date Trained

CONTINGENCY PLAN

27. Does the owner/operator have a contingency plan to minimize hazards to human health or the environment from fires, explosions or any unplanned release of hazardous waste? [3745-65-51(A)] Yes No N/A
28. Does the plan describe the following:
- a. Actions to be taken in response to fires, explosions or any unplanned release of hazardous waste [3745-65-52(A)]? Yes No N/A
 - b. Arrangements with emergency authorities [3745-65-52(C)]. Yes No N/A
 - c. A current list of names, addresses and telephone numbers (office and home) of all persons qualified to act as emergency coordinator? [3745-65-52(D)] Yes No N/A
 - d. A list of all emergency equipment, including: location, a physical description and brief outline of capabilities? [3745-65-52(E)] Yes No N/A

e. An evacuation plan for facility personnel where there is possibility that evacuation may be necessary? [3745-65-52(F)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: If the facility already has a "Spill Prevention, Control and Counter measures Plan" under CFR Part 112 or 40 CFR Part 1510, or some other emergency plan, the facility can amend that plan to incorporate hazardous waste management provisions that are sufficient to comply with OAC requirements. [3745-65-52(B)]

29. Is a copy of the plan (plus revisions) kept on-site and been given to all emergency authorities that may be requested to provide emergency services? [3745-65-53 (A) & (B)] Yes No N/A

30. Has the generator revised the plan in response to rule changes, facility, equipment and personnel changes, or failure of the plan? [3745-65-54] *REVISIONS REQUIRED* Yes No N/A

31. Is an emergency coordinator available at all times (on-site or on-call)? [3745-65-55] Yes No N/A

NOTE: The emergency coordinator shall be thoroughly familiar with: (a) all aspects of the facility's contingency plan; (b) all operations and activities at the facility; (c) the location and characteristics of waste handled; (d) the location of all records within the facility; (e) facility layout; and (f) shall have the authority to commit the resources needed to implement provisions of the contingency plan.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

2001 LAST EVENT

32. Has there been a fire, explosion or release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents since the last inspection? If so: Yes No N/A

a. Was the contingency plan implemented? [3745-65-51(B)] Yes No N/A

b. Did the facility follow the emergency procedures in 3745-65-56(A) through (H)? Yes No N/A

c. Did the facility submit a report to the Director within 15 days of the incident as required by 3745-65-56(J)? Yes No N/A

NOTE: OAC 3745-65-51(b) requires that the contingency plan be implemented immediately whenever there is a fire, explosion, or release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents, which could threaten human health and the environment.

PREPAREDNESS AND PREVENTION

33. Is the facility operated to minimize the possibility of fire, explosion, or any unplanned release of hazardous waste? [3745-65-31] Yes No N/A

34. Does the generator have the following equipment at the facility, if it is required due to actual hazards associated with the waste:

a. Internal communications or alarm system? [3745-65-32(A)] Yes No N/A

b. Emergency communication device? [3745-65-32(B)] Yes No N/A

c. Portable fire control, spill control and decon equipment? [3745-65-32(C)] Yes No N/A

d. Water of adequate volume/pressure per documentation or facility rep? [3745-65-32(D)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: Verify that the equipment is listed in the contingency plan.

35. Is emergency equipment tested (inspected) as necessary to ensure its proper operation in time of emergency? [3745-65-33] Yes No N/A

36. Are emergency equipment tests (inspections) recorded in a log or summary? [3745-65-33] Yes No N/A

37. Do personnel have immediate access to an internal alarm or emergency communication device when handling hazardous waste (unless the device is not required under 3745-65-32)? [3745-65-34(A)] Yes No N/A

38. If there is only one employee on the premises, is there immediate access to a device (ex.phone, hand held two-way radio) capable of summoning external emergency assistance? (Unless not required under 3745-65-32) [3745-65-34(B)] Yes No N/A

39. Is adequate aisle space provided for unobstructed movement of emergency or spill control equipment? [3745-65-35] Yes No N/A

40. Has the generator attempted to familiarize emergency authorities with possible hazards and facility layouts? [3745-65-37(A)] Yes No N/A

41. Where authorities have declined to enter into arrangements or agreements, has the generator documented such a refusal? [3745-65-37(B)] Yes No N/A

SATELLITE ACCUMULATION AREA REQUIREMENTS

42. Does the generator ensure that satellite accumulation area(s):

a. Are at or near a point of generation? [3745-52-34(C)(1)] Yes No N/A

b. Are under the control of the operator of the process generating the waste? [3745-52-34(C)(1)] Yes No N/A

c. Do not exceed a total of 55 gallons of hazardous waste per waste stream? [3745-52-34(C)(1)] Yes No N/A

- d. Do not exceed one quart of acutely hazardous waste at any one time? [3745-34(C)(1)] Yes No N/A
- e. Containers are closed, in good condition and compatible with wastes stored in them? [3745-52-34(C)(1)(a)] Yes No N/A
- f. Containers are marked with words "Hazardous Waste" or other words identifying the contents? [3745-52-34(C)(1)(b)] Yes No N/A
- 43. Is the generator accumulating hazardous waste(s) in excess of the amounts listed in the preceding question? If so: Yes No N/A
- a. Did the generator comply with 3745-52-34(A)(1) through (4) or other applicable generator requirements within three days? [3745-52-34(C)(2)] Yes No N/A
- b. Did the generator mark the container(s) holding excess with the accumulation date when the 55 gallon (one quart) limit was exceeded? [3745-52-34(C)(2)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: The satellite accumulation area is limited to 55 gallons of hazardous waste accumulated from a distinct point of generation in the process under the control of the operator of the process generating the waste (less than 1 quart for acute hazardous waste). There could be individual waste streams accumulated in an area from different points of generation.

USE AND MANAGEMENT OF CONTAINERS IN <90 DAY ACCUMULATION AREAS

- 44. Has the generator marked containers with the words "Hazardous Waste?" [3745-52-34(A)(3)] Yes No N/A
- 45. Is the accumulation date on each container? [3745-52-34(A)(2)] Yes No N/A
- 46. Are hazardous wastes stored in containers which are:
 - a. Closed (except when adding/removing wastes)? [3745-66-73(A)] Yes No N/A
 - b. In good condition? [3745-66-71] Yes No N/A
 - c. Compatible with wastes stored in them? [3745-66-72] Yes No N/A
 - d. Handled in a manner which prevents rupture/leakage? [3745-66-73(B)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: Record location on process summary sheets, photograph the area, and record on facility map.

- 47. Is the container accumulation area(s) inspected weekly? [3745-66-74] Per ORC §1.44(A) "Week" means 7 consecutive days. Yes No N/A
- a. Are inspections recorded in a log or summary? [3745-66-74] Yes No N/A
- 48. Are containers of ignitable or reactive wastes located at least 50 feet (15 meters) from the facility's property line? [3745-66-76] Yes No N/A
- 49. Are containers of incompatible wastes stored separately from each other by means of a dike, berm, wall or other device? [3745-66-77(C)] Yes No N/A
- 50. If the generator places incompatible wastes, or incompatible wastes and materials in the same container, is it done in accordance with 3745-65-17(B)? [3745-66-77(A)] Yes No N/A
- 51. If the generator places hazardous waste in an unwashed container that previously held an incompatible waste, is it done in accordance with 3745-65-17(B)? [3745-66-77(B)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: OAC 3745-65-17(B) requires that the generator treat, store, or dispose of ignitable or reactive waste, and the mixture or commingling of incompatible wastes, or incompatible wastes and materials so that it does not create undesirable conditions or threaten human health or the environment.

- 52. If the generator has closed a <90 day accumulation area does the closure appear to have met the closure performance standard of 3745-66-11? [3745-52-34(A)(1)] Yes No N/A

NOTE: Please provide a description of the unit and documentation provided by the generator for the file to demonstrate that closure was completed in accordance with the closure performance standards. If the generator has closed a <90 day tank, closure must also be completed in accordance with OAC 3745-66-97 (except for paragraph C of this rule). [3745-52-34]

PRE-TRANSPORT REQUIREMENTS

- 53. Does the generator package/label its hazardous waste in accordance with the applicable DOT regulations? [3745-52-30, 3745-52-31 and 3745-52-32(A)] Yes No N/A
- 54. Does each container <110 gallons have a completed hazardous waste label? [3745-52-32(B)] Yes No N/A
- 55. Before off-site transportation, does the generator placard or offer the appropriate DOT placards to the initial transporter? [3745-52-33] Yes No N/A