



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

Ted Strickland, Governor  
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December 16, 2010

RE: AKRON BEACON JOURNAL  
SUMMIT COUNTY  
OHD 077 762 961  
NOV/RTC

Mr. Michael Dean  
Akron Beacon Journal  
44 East Exchange Street  
Akron, OH 44309-0640

Dear Mr. Dean:

Thank you for accompanying me during Ohio EPA's December 1, 2010, inspection of the Akron Beacon Journal (ABJ) facility. The purpose of the visit was to determine the current facility status and compliance with Ohio's hazardous waste laws and regulations as found in the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Code and to provide technical assistance information.

ABJ uses water based inks that are filtered through a wastewater treatment system and reused. Ink filter cake waste have been characterized as a solid waste but are incinerated for their btu value. Used oil is generated primarily from the presses and paperfolder. Photographic processes generate film and silver developer waste that are sent for recycling. Spent fluorescent lamps are collected in a bulb crushing unit and sent for recycling.

Based on the inspection it appears that you are currently a conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG). As a conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG) in Ohio, one of the few hazardous waste requirements you must follow is to make sure your hazardous waste is delivered to a facility permitted to store, treat or dispose of hazardous wastes.

The following violation of Ohio's hazardous waste rules and regulations was identified during the inspection and abated:

- 1. OAC 3745-279-22(C): Used Oil Storage Requirements for Generators (Labels)**
  - Four 55-gallon drums were not labeled per this rule during the inspection.

This violation was abated when the containers were labeled as "used oil".

A *Fact Sheet* on "The Regulation of Used Oil" was provided during the site visit and may be found at:

[http://epa.ohio.gov/portals/32/pdf/Used\\_Oil\\_Generators\\_Guidance.pdf](http://epa.ohio.gov/portals/32/pdf/Used_Oil_Generators_Guidance.pdf).

## Recommendations

- Lead-acid batteries are exchanged when generated and not accumulated onsite. Alkaline and carbon batteries were not being recycled. It is recommended that Ni-Cd batteries, emergency lighting batteries and other batteries that could be a hazardous waste be identified and collected for recycling.
- Please visit the Division of Hazardous Waste Management's web site for additional information including a list of recycling vendors in the State of Ohio at: <http://epa.ohio.gov/ocapp/Recycle.aspx>.
- Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention (OCAPP) provides compliance and pollution prevention assistance on environmental issues related to air, land, and water. If desired, this can include an onsite assessment of your operations with a resulting report containing waste minimization and energy conservation suggestions. OCAPP can be contacted at 800-329-7518 or <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ocapp>. You may also contact Adrienne Lafavre of this office at (330) 963-1250 for compliance assistance.

The Division of Hazardous Waste Management (DHWM) has copies of the rules and other information on the DHWM's web page at: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dhwm/>.

Enclosed you will find a copy of an identification form and the checklists completed for the inspection. No further response to this letter is required. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1146 or at: [ron.shadrach@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:ron.shadrach@epa.state.oh.us).

Sincerely,



Ronald J. Shadrach  
District Representative  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

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Enclosures

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Harry Sarvis, DHWM, CO  
Natalie Oryshkewych, DHWM, NEDO

**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.

Send to Central Office <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Ohio Environmental Protection Agency</b> <b>RCRA SUBTITLE C SITE</b> <b>IDENTIFICATION/VERIFICATION FORM</b>	For Ohio EPA use only
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Completed verification forms required to be submitted to CO should be e-mailed to [paula.canter@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:paula.canter@epa.state.oh.us).

<b>Site EPA ID No.</b> <b>Site Name</b>  <b>Site Location Information</b>  <b>Site Land Type</b> (check only one) <b>NAICS code(s)</b> <a href="http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html">www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html</a>	EPA ID Number: <b>OHD 077 762 961</b>  Name: <b>Akron Beacon Journal</b> Website: (Optional)  Street Address: <b>44 E. Exchange St.</b> City, Town, or Village: <b>Akron</b> State: <b>OH</b> County Name: <b>Summit</b> Zip Code: <b>44328</b> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: none;">Private</td> <td style="border: none;">County</td> <td style="border: none;">District</td> <td style="border: none;">Federal</td> <td style="border: none;">Indian</td> <td style="border: none;">Municipal</td> <td style="border: none;">State</td> <td style="border: none;">Other</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="border: none;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	Private	County	District	Federal	Indian	Municipal	State	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
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<b>Facility Representative</b>  Additional names can be recorded in number 12  Only provide address information if it is different than the site address	First Name: <b>Michael</b> MI: Last Name: <b>Dean</b> Title: <b>Building &amp; Facilities Manager</b> Phone Number: <b>330-996-3213</b> Phone Number Extension: E-Mail Address: <b>mdean@thebeaconjournal.com</b> Fax Number: <b>330-996-3008</b> Fax Number Extension: Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: State: Zip Code:
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<b>Legal Owner And Operator of the Site.</b> List Additional Owners and/or Operators in the Comment Section or on another copy of this form page	Name of Site's Legal Owner: <b>Sound Publishing Co., Inc.</b> Date Became Owner (mm/dd/yyyy): <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: none;">Owner Type:</td> <td style="border: none;">Private</td> <td style="border: none;">County</td> <td style="border: none;">District</td> <td style="border: none;">Federal</td> <td style="border: none;">Indian</td> <td style="border: none;">Municipal</td> <td style="border: none;">State</td> <td style="border: none;">Other</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="border: none;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table> Street or P.O. Box: <b>19351 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE Suite 106</b> City, Town or Village: <b>Poulsbo</b> Owner Phone #: <b>360-394-5800</b> State: <b>Washington</b> Country: <b>USA</b> Zip Code: <b>98370</b> Name of Site's Operator: Date Became Operator (mm/dd/yyyy): <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: none;">Operator Type:</td> <td style="border: none;">Private</td> <td style="border: none;">County</td> <td style="border: none;">District</td> <td style="border: none;">Federal</td> <td style="border: none;">Indian</td> <td style="border: none;">Municipal</td> <td style="border: none;">State</td> <td style="border: none;">Other</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table> Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: Operator Phone #: State: Country Zip Code:	Owner Type:	Private	County	District	Federal	Indian	Municipal	State	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Operator Type:	Private	County	District	Federal	Indian	Municipal	State	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>															
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**VIOLATIONS CITED?**     Yes     No

**TYPE OF HANDLER - MARK "X" AS APPROPRIATE**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a HW Generator	<input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN: Cited for violation of 3745-52-11 <input type="checkbox"/> Short-Term/Temporary Generator (generates from a short-term or one-time event and not from on-going processes). <i>Check the box for the applicable generator status and provide a comment.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Large Quantity Generator (LQG) <input type="checkbox"/> Small Quantity Generator (SQG) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Importer of Hazardous Waste <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Waste (Hazardous and Radioactive) Generator
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**USED OIL INSPECTION CHECKLIST  
GENERATORS, COLLECTION CENTERS AND AGGREGATION POINTS**

*NOTE: 1. A facility is subject to the federal SPCC regulations (40 CFR 112) if it is non-transportation related (e.g., fixed) and has an aggregate above ground storage capacity greater than 1,320 gallons or a total underground storage capacity greater than 42,000 gallons of oil (including used oil), and there is reasonable expectation of a discharge to navigable waters.*

*2. Inspectors can check BUSTR's web-site at [https://www.comapps.ohio.gov/sfm/fire\\_apps/bust/bustr/PublicInquiry.asp](https://www.comapps.ohio.gov/sfm/fire_apps/bust/bustr/PublicInquiry.asp) to determine if a UST containing used oil is registered with BUSTR. Inspectors may call BUSTR at 614-752-7938 or a BUSTR site coordinator to report an unregistered UST or a UST that appears to not be in compliance with BUSTR regulations. A list of BUSTR coordinators by county are at:*

*[https://www.comapps.ohio.gov/sfm/fire\\_apps/bust/bustr/SearchByCounty.asp](https://www.comapps.ohio.gov/sfm/fire_apps/bust/bustr/SearchByCounty.asp).*

**PROHIBITIONS**

1.	Does the generator manage used oil in a surface impoundment or waste pile? If yes:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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a.	Is the surface impoundment or waste pile regulated as a hazardous waste management unit? [3745-279-12(A)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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*NOTE: For example, used oil contaminated scrap metal stored in a pile.*

2.	Is used oil used as a dust suppressant? [3745-279-12(B)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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3.	Is off-specification used oil fuel burned for energy recovery in devices specified in 3745-279-12(C)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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*NOTE: Multiple used oil checklists may be applicable if used oil handler is performing multiple tasks (e.g., If generating used oil and shipping directly to a burner, complete generator and marketer checklists at a minimum).*

**GENERATOR STANDARDS**

4.	Does the generator mix hazardous waste with used oil? If so,	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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a.	Is the mixture managed as specified in 3745-279-10(B)? [3745-279-21(A)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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*NOTE: Used Oil mixed with listed (3745-51-30 to 3745-51-35) or characteristic (3745-51-20 to 3745-51-24) hazardous waste are subject to regulation as a hazardous waste, unless the listed hazardous waste is listed solely because it exhibits a hazardous characteristic, and the resultant mixtures do not exhibit a characteristic. Mixtures of used oil and CESQG hazardous waste are subject to OAC Chapter 3745-279.*

5.	Does the generator of a used oil containing greater than 1,000 ppm total halogens manage the used oil as a hazardous waste unless the presumption is rebutted successfully? [3745-279-21(B)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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*NOTE: If used oil contains greater than 1000 ppm total halogens, it is presumed to be listed hazardous waste until the presumption is successfully rebutted.*

6.	Does the generator store used oil in tanks; or containers; or a unit(s) subject to regulation as a hazardous waste management unit? [3745-279-22(A)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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7.	Are containers and aboveground tanks used to store used oil in good condition with no visible leaks? [3745-279-22(B)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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8.	Are containers, above ground tanks, and fill pipes used for underground tanks clearly labeled or marked "Used Oil?" [3745-279-22(C)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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9.	Has the generator, upon detection of a release of used oil, done the following: [3745-279-22(D)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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a.	Stopped the release?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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b.	Contained the release?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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c.	Cleaned up and properly managed the used oil and other materials?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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d.	Repaired or replaced the containers or tanks prior to returning them to service, if necessary?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<b>ON-SITE BURNING IN SPACE HEATER</b>		
10.	Does the generator burn used oil in used-oil fired space heaters? [3745-279-23] If so:	
a.	Does the heater burn only used oil that owner/operator generates or used oil received from household do-it-yourself (DIY) used oil generators?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b.	Is the heater designed to have a maximum capacity of not more than 0.5 million BTU per hour?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c.	Are the combustion gases from heater vented to the ambient air?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>NOTE: Ash accumulated in a space heater must be managed in accordance with 3745-279-10(E).</i>		
<b>GENERATOR TRANSPORTATION</b>		
11.	Does the generator have the used oil hauled only by transporters that have obtained a U.S. EPA ID#? [3745-279-24]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
12.	If the generator self-transported used oil to an approved collection site or to an aggregation point owned by the generator: [3745-279-24]	
a.	Does the generator transport used oil in a vehicle owned by the generator or an employee of the generator? [3745-279-24]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b.	Does the generator transport more than 55 gallons of used oil at any time? [3745-279-24]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>NOTE: Used oil generators may arrange for used oil to be transported by a transporter without a U.S. EPA ID # if the used oil is reclaimed under a contractual agreement (i.e., tolling arrangement).</i>		
<b>COLLECTION CENTERS AND AGGREGATION POINTS</b>		
13.	Is the DIY used oil collection center in compliance with the generator standards in 3745-279-20 to 3745-279-24? [3745-279-30]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14.	Is the non-DIY used oil collection center registered with Ohio EPA? [3745-279-31]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15.	Is the used oil aggregation point in compliance with the generator standards in 3745-279-20 to 3745-279-24? [3745-279-32]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>NOTE: Complete Used Oil Generator and any other applicable used oil handler checklist (e.g., marketer, burner, etc.) for used oil collection centers and aggregation points.</i>		

8. The facility drums were labeled "waste oil" and subsequently correctly labeled "Used Oil" abating the violation.

**CONDITIONALLY EXEMPT SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR REQUIREMENTS  
COMPLETE AND ATTACH A PROCESS, WASTE, P2 SUMMARY SHEET**

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:

**WASTE EVALUATION**

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"/>
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**GENERATOR CLASSIFICATION**

2.	Does the generator produce <100 kg. of hazardous waste per month? [conditionally exempt small quantity generator ("CESQG")]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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NOTE: If quantities of hazardous waste accumulated on-site at any one time exceed 1,000 Kg. - or the generator produces between 100 and 1,000 Kg. of hazardous waste per month, it is operating as a Small Quantity Generator ("SQG"). If so, complete the Small Quantity Generator Requirements checklist.

**OFF-SITE SHIPMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE**

3.	Does the CESQG ensure delivery of hazardous waste(s) to an off-site permitted TSD? [3734.02(F)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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**TREATMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE**

4.	Does the generator treat hazardous waste in a:	
a.	Container that meets 3745-66-70 to 3745-66-77?	Yes <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>

NOTE: Complete appropriate checklist for each unit.

NOTE: If the CESQG conducts treatment they are subject to the LQG requirements.

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

**MIX HAZARDOUS WASTE WITH USED OIL**

5.	Does the CESQG mix its hazardous waste with used oil for the purpose of burning for energy recovery? [3745-51-05(J)] If so:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
a.	Does the CESQG manage the mixture in accordance with 3745-279-21?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4. Facility collects spent lamps in a bulb crusher unit and sends lamps for recycle.