

Environmental  
Protection Agency

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August 3, 2011

RE: DESIGNERS CONTEMPORARY  
LAMINATES  
OHD 113 028 906  
NOV/RTC

Bob Krauss  
Designers Contemporary Laminates  
37105 Code Ave.  
Willoughby, OH 44094

Dear Mr. Krauss:

On August 1, 2011, I met with you to inspect Designers Contemporary Laminates (Designers) located at 37105 Code Ave., Willoughby, Ohio. The purpose of this was to determine if Designers was in compliance with Ohio's hazardous waste and used oil laws and rules as found in Chapter 3734 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and Chapter 3745 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC).

Based on the inspection, it appears Designers does not normally generate any hazardous wastes.

The following violation was found:

1. **OAC Rule 3745-52-11 – Hazardous waste determination**

This rule requires that any person who generates a waste must determine if that waste is a hazardous waste.

Designers violated this rule by disposing of waste lamps (including fluorescent lamps) with regular trash without determining whether or not they are a hazardous waste. Fluorescent and some other types of lamps contain mercury and may contain other hazardous metals. When burned out they may be a hazardous waste. In general, waste lamps should be saved in a properly labeled and closed container (such as a cardboard box) and picked up by a lamp recycler. The following document, which gives more information on this, was given to you during the inspection:

Ohio's Universal Waste Rules: Are You Handling Used Lamps Correctly?, 2008  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/portals/41/sb/publications/Lampcompliancechecklist.pdf>

Local lamp recycling companies are listed in the following document which was given to you during the inspection:

Waste Disposal and Recycling Companies in Northeast Ohio, 2010

You stated you will now properly save lamps to be picked up by a lamp recycler. This documents the correction of this violation.

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Other information and suggestions:

- Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention (OCAPP) provides compliance and pollution prevention assistance on environmental issues (including sources of funding) related to air, land, and water. They can be contacted at (800) 329-7518, or <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/Default.aspx?alias=www.epa.ohio.gov/ocapp>.
- Entrepreneurs for Sustainability is a group that seeks to "build a sustainable regional economy in Northeast Ohio that will create prosperity and total community health." They offer workshops, conferences, a business to business directory and more. Their website is at: <http://www.e4s.org/content/index.asp>.
- ENERGY STAR is a government-backed program helping businesses and individuals protect the environment through superior energy efficiency. Their website is at: <http://www.energystar.gov/>.
- The Clean Air Resource Center offers help in understanding EPA air quality requirements. In addition, if your business is required to purchase new equipment, they can offer better-cost financing with special tax incentives. Their phone number is (800) 225-5051 and website is <http://www.ohioairquality.org/>.
- Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation has an OSHA On-Site Consultation service which includes free on-site safety inspections and consultation, safety program assistance, and safety and hygiene training or seminars. More information can be found at: <http://www.ohiobwc.com/employer/programs/safety/SandHOSHAOnSite.asp>.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (330) 963-1217, or [robert.almquist@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:robert.almquist@epa.state.oh.us).

Sincerely,



Robert Almquist  
Division of Materials and Waste Management

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ec: Frank Popotnik, DMWM, NEDO  
Natalie Oryshkewych, DMWM, NEDO  
Jeff Mayhugh, DMWM, CO

cc: Marlene Kinney, DMWM, NEDO

Notice:

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

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>OHD113028906</b> Name: <b>Designers Contemporary Laminates</b> Website: (Optional) Street Address: <b>37105 Code Ave.</b> City, Town, or Village: <b>Willoughby</b> State: <b>OH</b> County Name: <b>Lake</b> Zip Code: <b>44094</b> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Other <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>Bob</b> MI: Last Name: <b>Krauss</b> Title: Phone Number: <b>440-946-8207</b> Phone Number Extension: E-Mail Address: Fax Number: <b>440-946-9652</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>Designers Contemporary Laminates</b> Date Became Owner (mm/dd/yyyy): Owner Type: Private <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: Owner Phone #: State: Country: Zip Code: Name of Site's Operator: Date Became Operator (mm/dd/yyyy): Operator Type: Private <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: Operator Phone #: State: Country: Zip Code:
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**VIOLATIONS CITED?**  Yes  No

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

<input checked="" 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). Check the box for the applicable generator status and provide a comment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Large Quantity Generator (LQG) <input type="checkbox"/> Small Quantity Generator (SQG) <input 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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**TYPE OF REGULATED WASTE ACTIVITY (MARK "X" IN ALL OF THE APPROPRIATE BOXES)**

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste Transporter                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Boiler and/or Industrial Furnace       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste Transfer Facility              | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Quantity On-Site Burner Exemption       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treater, Storer or Disposer of Hazardous Waste | <input type="checkbox"/> Smelting, Melting, Refining Furnace Exemption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recycler of Hazardous Waste                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Underground Injection Control Facility        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 72-Hour Recycler                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Receives Hazardous Waste from Off-site        |

**UNIVERSAL WASTE ACTIVITIES (INDICATE TYPES OF UNIVERSAL WASTE MANAGED**

**(CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY)**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Destination Facility for Universal Waste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Quantity Handler of Universal Waste<br>(accumulates 5,000 kg. or more) |                                                                   |

**CHECK ALL BOXES BELOW THAT APPLY FOR THE TYPES OF UNIVERSAL WASTE THE FACILITY MANAGES**

- Batteries  
 Pesticides  
 Mercury containing equipment  
 Lamps

**USED OIL ACTIVITIES (INDICATE TYPE(S) OF ACTIVITY(S))**

- Used Oil Generator  
 Used Oil Transporter  
 Used Oil Transfer Facility  
 Used Oil Processor  
 Used Oil Re-refiner  
 Off-Specification Used Oil Burner  
 Used Oil Fuel Marketer who directs shipment of Off-Spec Used Oil  
 Used Oil Fuel Marketer who first claims the Used Oil meets the specifications

**Eligible Academic Entities with Laboratories:** Facility has previously notified that they are opting into managing laboratory hazardous waste pursuant to OAC rules 3745-52-200 through 3745-52-216. Check the box(es) below to indicate the laboratory type.

- College or University  
 Teaching hospital that is owned by or has a formal written affiliation agreement with a college or university  
 Non-profit Institute that is owned by or has a formal written affiliation agreement with a college or university

**Waste Codes for Federally Regulated Hazardous Wastes.** Please list the codes for the federally regulated hazardous waste handled at the site. List them in the order they are presented in the regulations (e.g., D001, D003, F007, U112). Use an additional page or list them in the comments if more space is needed. If the waste codes are the same as listed in the most recent RCRAInfo source record, you do not need to list them. Instead just indicate the date of the most recent source record.

**COMMENTS: USE THIS AREA TO DESCRIBE WHETHER THE INSPECTION WAS ANNOUNCED, WHETHER THE WASTE IS STORED IN TANKS OR CONTAINERS, ETC.**

Announced  Yes  No      Additional Facility Representatives:  
Tanks  Yes  No  
Containers  Yes  No

Name of Inspector(s)  
**Robert Almquist**

Name of Inspector(s)

Date of Inspection/Time  
(mm/dd/yyyy) (hh:mm)  
**08/01/2011**

**Comments:**