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March 19, 2010

Doug Oblak  
Eliokem  
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**RE: ELIOKEM, OHR 000 106 880, SUMMIT COUNTY, SQG-CEI, NOTICE OF VIOLATION/ RETURN TO COMPLIANCE**

Dear Mr. Oblak:

On March 9, 2010, Ohio EPA's Division of Hazardous Waste Management, represented by Edward D'Amato and Robert Almquist inspected Eliokem for compliance with Ohio hazardous waste laws and regulations found in Chapters 3734 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and 3745 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Eliokem was represented by you during the inspection.

Eliokem makes polymers used for various industrial applications, including coatings, rubber reinforcing resins, and oilfield chemicals.

The following waste streams were identified:

1. QC Lab Waste (2-3 Drums per year, D001, F002, F003, 400-450 lbs/drum))
2. Waste monomers consisting of drippings collected from truck hose connections to product tanks (2-4 drums per year, D001, 400-450 lbs per drum)
3. Scrap waste absorbents containing monomers (2-3 drums per year, D001, U008, U009, U162, 300 lbs per drum)
4. Spent solvent from two parts washers which is recycled through Safety Kleen (flashpoint 150 degrees).
5. Drums with heels (non-RCRA empty)
6. Lab waste: Agar strips from bacteria testing (non-hazardous)
7. Off-spec latex products (non-hazardous).
8. Rosin soaps (non-hazardous).
9. Used desiccants (non-hazardous).
10. Use oil.
11. Aerosol cans.

The following violations were found:

1. **Labeling/Marking Standards for Universal Waste  
OAC 3745-273-14(E)**

*Each universal waste lamp or a container or package in which such lamps are contained, must be labeled or marked clearly with one of the following phrases: "Universal Waste-Lamp(s)", or "Waste Lamp(s)", or "Used Lamp(s)"*

4 boxes of lamps were not labeled per this rule. This violation was corrected on March 19, 2010 when you e-mailed photographs showing the boxes have been labeled. No further action is required regarding this violation.

**2. Universal Waste Management Standards—Containers  
OAC 3745-273-13(D)**

*A small quantity handler of universal waste must contain any lamp in containers or packages that are structurally sound, adequate to prevent breakage...such containers must be kept closed and must lack evidence of leakage, spillage or damage*

Four boxes of lamps were not closed per this rule. This violation was corrected on March 19, 2010, you e-mailed photographs showing four boxes had been closed. Please be advised that all boxes of universal waste lamps must be kept closed, not just ones that are full.

Ohio EPA has the following suggestion for Eliokem. Eliokem is under no obligation to implement it:

1. Eliokem may want to consider a microbiological oil digestion-aqueous parts washer. Information about the technology can be found at the following link:

U.S. EPA evaluation of microbiological oil digestion-aqueous cleaning applications:  
[http://www.qcanalytical.net/products/bioclean/EPA Approval BioClean.pdf](http://www.qcanalytical.net/products/bioclean/EPA%20Approval%20BioClean.pdf)

To help you evaluate whether or not it would be cost-effective to switch to this technology, Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention (OCAPP) offers the following information:  
<http://epa.ohio.gov/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=KJvFKa2YiEI%3d&tabid=2659>

Ohio EPA's OCAAP also provided a partial list of vendors of microbiological parts washers. Please note that Ohio EPA does not recommend products, companies, or services. You are encouraged to thoroughly research any company with whom you decide to do business:

<http://www.kleentec.com/index.html>

<http://chemfree.com/>

<http://graymills.com/home/defaultPC.aspx>

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No response to this letter is required.

Enclosed is a copy of the checklists used for the inspection.

Please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1170 if you have any questions.

Failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this communication does not relieve Eliokem from the responsibility of complying with all applicable Ohio EPA laws and regulations. Please be advised that present or past instances of non-compliance can continue as subjects of pending or future enforcement actions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edward J. D'Amato', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Edward J. D'Amato  
Environmental Specialist  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

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Enclosure

cc: Natalie Oryshkewych, DHWM, NEDO  
ec: Frank Popotnik, DHWM, NEDO

**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: *Safety Glasses, Hardhats*

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

*Eliokem*

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.	Has the generator obtained a U.S. EPA I.D. number? [3745-52-12]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Has the generator transported or caused to be transported hazardous waste to <b>other</b> than a facility authorized to manage the hazardous waste? [ORC 3734.02 (F)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Has the generator disposed of hazardous waste <b>on-site without a permit</b> or at another facility <b>other</b> than a facility authorized to dispose of hazardous waste? [ORC 3734.02 (E) & (F)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Does the generator accumulate hazardous waste?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

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

6.	Has the generator accumulated hazardous wastes in excess of (180/270) days without a permit or an extension from the Director? [3745-52-34; ORC §3734-02(E)&(F)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Is the generator accumulating more than 6,000 kg on site? [3745-52-34(D)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

NOTE: SQG's shipping waste to a facility greater than 200 miles away can accumulate on-site for 270 days. [3745-52-34 (E)]

NOTE: 6,000 kg = approximately 27, 55-gallon drums. If the facility is accumulating waste for greater than 180/270 days without an extension/permit or is accumulating greater than 6,000 kg on-site, it is classified as a storage facility and TSD standards apply. Complete applicable TSD checklists.

8.	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 3745-66-101?	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 waste is treated to meet LDRs, use LDR checklist.

**MANIFEST REQUIREMENTS**

9.	Are all hazardous wastes either reclaimed under a contractual agreement as defined in OAC rule 3745-52-20(E), or shipped off-site accompanied by a manifest (U.S. EPA Form 8700-22)? [3745-52-20(A)(1)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
10.	Are wastes reclaimed under a contractual agreement? If so: [3745-52-0(E)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
a.	Does the contractual agreement specify the type of waste and frequency of shipment?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b.	Is the transport vehicle owned and operated by the reclaimer?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	c.	Is a copy of the reclamation agreement kept on-site for at least three years after termination/expiration of the agreement?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NOTE: If wastes are reclaimed under a contractual agreement and an answer to questions 10(a) through 10(c) is no, the generator is in violation of 3745-52-20 (A) (B) & (D), 3745-52-22 and 3745-52-23. Even if the waste is being reclaimed under agreement, LDRs still apply. Complete LDR checklist.			
11.		Have items 1 through 20 of each manifest been completed? [3745-52-20(A)(1)] & [3745-52-27(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 complete. [3745-52-20(A)(1)]			
12.		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"/>
NOTE: The generator may designate on the manifest one alternative 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)]			
13.		If the transporter was unable to deliver a shipment of hazardous waste to the designated facility did the generator designate an alternative 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14.		Have the manifests been signed by the generator and initial transporter? [3745-52-23 (A) (1) and (2)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
NOTE: Remind the generator that the certification statement they signed indicates: 1) they have properly prepared the shipment for transportation and 2) they have made a good faith effort to minimize their waste generation.			
15.		If the generator did not receive a return copy of each completed manifest within 60 days of being accepted by the transporter did the generator submit to Ohio EPA, a copy of the manifest with some indication that the generator has not received confirmation of delivery? [3745-52-42(B)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16.		Are signed copies of all manifests being retained for at least three years? [3745-52-40]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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.			
<b>PREPAREDNESS AND PREVENTION</b>			
17.		Is an emergency coordinator available at all times (on-site or on-call)? [3745-52-34(D)(5)(a)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
18.		Has the following been posted by the telephone: [3745-52-34(D)(5)(b)]	
	a.	Name and telephone number of emergency coordinator?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	b.	Location of fire and spill control equipment, and, if present, fire alarm(s)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	c.	Telephone number of local fire department?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
19.		Are employees familiar with waste handling and emergency procedures? [3745-52-34(D)(5)(c)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
20.		Has the facility properly responded to all fires and spills? [3745-52-34(D)(5)(d)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
21.		Is the facility operated to minimize the possibility of fire, explosion, or any unplanned sudden or nonsudden release of hazardous waste? [3745-65-31]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
22.		Does the generator have the following equipment at the facility if it is required due to actual hazards associated with the waste:	
	a.	Internal Alarm system? [3745-65-32(A)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

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	b.	Emergency communication device? [3745-65-32(B)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	c.	Portable fire control, spill control and decon equipment? [3745-65-32(C)]?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	d.	Water of adequate volume/pressure per documentation or facility rep? [3745-65-32(D)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
23.		Is emergency equipment tested (inspected) as necessary to ensure its proper operation in time of emergency? [3745-65-33]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	a.	Are inspections recorded in a log or summary? [3745-65-33]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
24.		Do personnel have immediate access to an internal alarm or emergency communication device when handling hazardous waste ( <i>unless the device is not required under OAC 3745-65-32</i> )? [3745-65-34(A)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
25.		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 ( <i>unless not required under OAC 3745-65-32</i> )? [3745-65-34(B)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
26.		Is adequate aisle space provided for unobstructed movement of emergency or spill control equipment? [3745-65-35]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
27.		Has the generator attempted to familiarize emergency authorities with possible hazards and facility layout? [3745-65-37(A)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
28.		Where authorities have declined to enter into arrangements or agreements, has the generator documented such a refusal? [3745-65-37(B)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**SATELLITE ACCUMULATION AREA REQUIREMENTS**

29.		Does the generator ensure that satellite accumulation area(s):			
	a.	Are at or near a point of generation? [3745-52-34(C)(1)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	b.	Are under the control of the operator of the process generating the waste? [3745-52-34(C)(1)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	c.	Do not exceed a total of 55 gallons of hazardous waste per waste stream? [3745-52-34(C)(1)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	d.	Do not exceed one quart of acutely hazardous waste at any one time? [3745-52-34(C)(1)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	e.	Containers are closed, in good condition and compatible with wastes stored in them? [3745-52-34(C)(1)(a)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	f.	Containers are marked with the words "Hazardous Waste" or other words identifying the contents? [3745-52-34(C)(1)(b)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
30.		Is the generator accumulating hazardous waste(s) in excess of the amounts listed in the preceding question? If so:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	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 <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	b.	Did the generator mark the container(s) holding the excess with the accumulation date when the 55 gallon (one quart) limit was exceeded? [3745-52-34(C)(2)]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

*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**

31.		Has the generator marked containers with the words "Hazardous Waste?" [3745-52-34(D)(4)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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32.	Is the accumulation date on each container? [3745-52-34(D)(4)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
33.	Are hazardous wastes stored in containers which are:	
	a. Closed (except when adding/removing wastes)? [3745-66-73(A)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	b. In good condition? [3745-66-71]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	c. Compatible with wastes stored in them? [3745-66-72]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	d. Handled in a manner which prevents rupture/leakage? [3745-66-73(B)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

*NOTE: Record location on process summary sheets and photograph the area.*

34.	Is the container accumulation area(s) inspected at least weekly? [3745-66-74] Per ORC§1.44(A) "Week" means seven(7) consecutive days.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
	a. Are inspections recorded in a log or summary? [3745-66-74]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
35.	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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36.	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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37.	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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

*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.*

**PRE-TRANSPORT REQUIREMENTS**

38.	Does each 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
39.	Does each container ≤119 gallons have a completed hazardous waste label? [3745-52-32(B)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
40.	Before off-site transportation, does the generator placard or offer the appropriate DOT placards to the initial transporter? [3745-52-33]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

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