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Re: Ameriwood Industries
Seneca County
Complaint # 2892
OHD004194247
NOV

July 23, 2009

Mr. Joe Love
Ameriwood Industries
458 Second Avenue
Tiffin, Ohio 44883

Dear Mr. Love:

On July 20, 2009, Ohio EPA conducted a complaint investigation and a compliance evaluation inspection of Ameriwood Industries (Ameriwood) located in Tiffin, Ohio. The purpose of this visit was to determine Ameriwood's compliance with Ohio's hazardous waste laws as found in Chapter 3734. of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and Chapter 3745 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). The inspection included a tour of the facility and a review of your disposal practices.

Ameriwood manufactures ready to assemble furniture. At the time of the inspection, Ohio EPA considered Ameriwood a non-generator of hazardous waste. However, Ameriwood will dispose of excess or outdated materials periodically, thus causing them to be an episodic conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG) of hazardous waste. Safety Kleen picks up their used oil and services the parts washers through the continued use program. Fluorescent bulbs are also generated.

During Ohio EPA's complaint investigation, no evidence was found proving used oil was being dumped outside doors 611 and 613. Therefore, this complaint is considered closed.

I found the following violation of Ohio's hazardous waste laws. In order to correct this violation you must do the following and send me the required information within 30 days of your receipt of this letter:

1. Waste Evaluation, OAC Rule 3745-52-11

Ameriwood failed to have waste evaluation documentation or an established recycling plan in place for the fluorescent bulbs generated at the facility.

Ameriwood must immediately cease disposing of the fluorescent bulbs as non-hazardous waste until a proper waste evaluation has been completed. Fluorescent bulbs typically contain mercury and other heavy metals which could make them a hazardous waste.

Hazardous waste bulbs are considered "spent materials" and remain hazardous waste even when recycled. Hazardous waste lamp generators have the option of handling their lamps as hazardous waste or as universal waste. Managing hazardous waste lamps under the universal waste rules eases certain regulations imposed on generators of spent lamps. During the inspection, I gave you a fact sheet outlining the universal waste rules for handlers of lamps and a list of fluorescent bulb recyclers. Please review this information and contact me if you have any questions.

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Ameriwood must submit to Ohio EPA documentation to demonstrate how you plan to properly manage your fluorescent bulbs. If Ameriwood plans to manage the spent fluorescent bulbs as universal waste (in lieu of waste evaluation), please submit photographic documentation showing the storage container properly labeled and dated. In addition, Ameriwood must submit the name of the facility where you plan to recycle the bulbs.

If you find ways to recycle, reduce, or altogether eliminate the amount of waste your company generates you may be able to reduce treatment and disposal costs. Furthermore, you may possibly reduce your regulatory requirements. Ohio EPA has helpful information about pollution prevention at the following web address: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/ocapp/ocapp.html>.

The Division of Hazardous Waste Management (DHWM) 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 link <http://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 and other information on the division's web page at <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm>.

Please address all correspondence to Amy Heller, Ohio EPA, 347 N. Dunbridge Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (419) 373-3058.

Sincerely,



Amy Heller
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

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Enclosure

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~~DHWM; NWDO File: Ameriwood Industries; Seneca County~~
ec: Amy Heller, DHWM, NWDO

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.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
**RCRA SUBTITLE C SITE
IDENTIFICATION/VERIFICATION FORM**

For Ohio EPA use only

E-mail this completed form to kristina.durnell@epa.state.oh.us
or mail it to Kristina Durnell, Central Office

Site EPA ID No. Site Name Site Location Information Site Land Type (check only one) NAICS code(s) www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html	EPA ID Number: OHD004194247 Name: Ameriwood Industries		Website: (Optional)							
	Street Address: 458 Second Avenue City, Town, or Village: Tiffin County Name: Seneca		State: OH Zip Code: 44883							
	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"/>		
Facility Representative Additional names can be recorded in number 12 Only provide address information if it is different than the site address	First Name: Joe		MI:	Last Name: Love		Phone Number Extension:				
	E-Mail Address: Fax Number: Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: State:		Zip Code:		Fax Number Extension:					
Legal Owner And Operator of the Site. List Additional Owners and/or Operators in the Comment Section or on another copy of this form page	Name of Site's Legal Owner: 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: State: Name of Site's Operator: 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: State:		Date Became Owner (mm/dd/yyyy):		Owner Phone #: Country:		Zip Code:			
	Street or P.O. Box: City, Town or Village: State:		Date Became Operator (mm/dd/yyyy):		Operator Phone #: United States		Zip Code:			

VIOLATIONS CITED? Yes No

TYPE OF HANDLER— A MINIMUM OF ONE BOX MUST BE CHECKED

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a HW Generator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN: Cited for violation of 3745-52-11	<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

TYPE OF REGULATED WASTE ACTIVITY (MARK "X" IN ALL OF THE APPROPRIATE BOXES)

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

UNIVERSAL WASTE ACTIVITIES (INDICATE TYPES OF UNIVERSAL WASTE MANAGED (CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY))

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|---|---|
| <input 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
(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. Oil
- Used Oil Fuel Marketer to Off-Specification Used Oil Burner

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 if more space is needed. If there are more than 7 waste codes and they are the same as listed in the most recent RCRA Info source record, you do not need to list them all. 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.

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|------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Announced | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Additional Facility Representatives: |
| Tanks | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Other Comments: |
| Containers | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |

Name of Inspector(s)	Name of Inspector(s)	Date of Inspection/Time (mm/dd/yyyy) (hh:mm)
Amy Heller		7/20/2009

OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION: I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Signature of Owner, Operator, or an Authorized Representative	Name and Title (Print)	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

**USED OIL INSPECTION CHECKLIST
GENERATORS, COLLECTION CENTERS AND AGGREGATION POINTS**

NOTE: 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.

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"/>
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"/>

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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"/>

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"/>
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"/>

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
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"/>
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
9.	Has the generator, upon detection of a release of used oil, done the following: [3745-279-22(D)]	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
a.	Stopped the release?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
b.	Contained the release?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
c.	Cleaned up and properly managed the used oil and other materials?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
d.	Repaired or replaced the containers or tanks prior to returning them to service, if necessary?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>

ON-SITE BURNING IN SPACE HEATER

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"/>

NOTE: Ash accumulated in a space heater must be managed in accordance with 3745-279-10(E).

GENERATOR TRANSPORTATION

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-transport 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"/>

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).

COLLECTION CENTERS AND AGGREGATION POINTS

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"/>

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.

PROCESS, WASTE, P2 SUMMARY SHEET

Facility Name:		Facility Type: LQG/SGQ/CESQG/TSD		Date of Inspection:		EPA ID #:	
Ameriwood Industries		Episodic periodically, normally a non-generator		7/20/2009		OHD 004 194 247	
Waste Generated			On- or Off-Site Management		P2 Activities		
Process/Activity Generating Waste <small>(e.g. plating bath, machining, baghouse, painting, general maintenance, etc)</small>	Waste Description <small>(e.g. sludge, solvent, ash, used oil, spent lamps, etc.) and EPA Waste Code, if applic.</small>	QTY Generated per Month, Type of Accumulation <small>(container, tank, etc) and location of waste accumulation area</small>	Type of On-Site Treatment <small>(recycle, wwt, etc)</small>	Name, state, and type of activity occurring at the off-site facility.	Current P2 Activities	P2 Opportunities	
1	Parts washer	Spent solvent Continues use Program	Varies		Continues use		
2	Used oil	Used oil	Varies		Safety Kleen		
3	Spent bulbs	52-11	varies				
4							
5							