

**HAMILTON COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES**

December 13, 2007

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. John Stephens
Queen City Barrel Company.
1937 South Street
Cincinnati, OH 45204

Re: **Barrel painting operation located at 1948 Knowlton Street**

Dear Mr. Stephens:

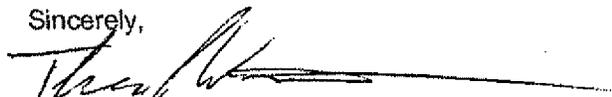
Following my site visit to Queen City Barrel's facility located at 1948 Knowlton Street and your subsequent submittal of paint usage records to this agency, it has been determined that your paint operation no longer qualifies for the DeMinimis exemption as outlined in OAC rule 3745-15-05. Based on your records, on November 4, 2007 the paint spray operation emitted 13.01 pounds of VOC. In order to qualify for the DeMinimis exemption you have to emit below 10 pounds per day of any criteria pollutant.

This letter serves as a notification that Queen City Barrel must submit a Permit to Install application in order to comply with the requirements of the PTI process in accordance with OAC Section 3745-31. Please submit to this agency a complete permit to install(PTI) application and emissions activity category(EAC) form by January 18, 2008. Should Queen City Barrel fail to submit the PTI application and EAC form, this Agency will recommend that the Ohio EPA institute enforcement action be taken against Queen City Barrel for violations of the PTI rules.

If at some time in the future, Queen City Barrel plans to install/modify a source of air contaminants, please contact the Hamilton County Department of Environmental Services at (513) 946-7777 to obtain the appropriate forms and discuss the planned installation. This Agency will endeavor to process all applications in an expeditious manner.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (513)946-7709.

Sincerely,



Thomas P. Wittekind
Environmental Compliance Specialist II