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Re: Wood County
Owens Sandblasting
3970 Moline-Martin Road
Millbury, Ohio 43447
Complaint Investigation

April 29, 2008

Mr. Curtis Owens, Co-Owner
Owens Sandblasting
27695 Tracy Road
Walbridge, Ohio 43465

Dear Mr. Owens:

This letter shall serve as a follow-up to the visit conducted on April 25, 2008, at the above referenced facility. The purpose of the visit was to determine the justification of the complaint lodged against the facility on April 21, 2008.

Based on my visit of the location and in talking to you, the findings of the visit are as follows:

The emission units discovered at the facility can be summarized as follows:

- Painting operations
- Sandblasting operations

The facility started operation at this location in January of this year. As explained during the visit, the painting operations would require a Permit to Install (PTI) prior to installation. You mentioned during the investigation that Mr. Ron Nabors of Ohio EPA's Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention (OCAPP) has been helping you and may have already submitted the PTI application to the Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC). However, Mr. Nabors was awaiting contact from you, which he never received.

Although the complaint is considered unjustified, the facility is in violation of having installed an emissions unit (painting operations) prior to obtaining a PTI. This is a direct violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-31-02 and Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3704.05. You are required to contact Mr. Nabors so that the process of submitting the application will be completed.

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A PTI application as required above shall be submitted to the attention of Mr. Don Waltermeyer by no later than May 30, 2008. Please be advised that the submission of the requested information to respond to this letter does not constitute waiver of the Ohio EPA's authority to seek civil penalties pursuant to ORC section 3704.06. The Ohio EPA will make a decision on whether to pursue or decline to pursue such penalties regarding this matter at a later date.

Sincerely,



Mohammad Smidi
Division of Air Pollution Control

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