

**Environmental
Protection Agency**

Tim Strickland, Governor
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June 2, 2010

RE: CHEMIONICS
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STORMWATER
SUMMIT COUNTY

Mr. Jim Ferguson
Director of Operations
390 Munroe Falls Road
Tallmadge, Ohio 44278

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

On May 13, 2010 this writer conducted an inspection of your facility for the purpose of determining compliance with the above referenced General Stormwater Permit. CHEMIONICS Corp. is located at 390 Monroe Falls Road, Tallmadge, Summit County. Your company is in the business of formulating and compounding plastisols and latex polymers for a wide variety of industries and applications. Your SIC code is listed as 3069 and 3089 and is classified as an industrial facility regulated under the stormwater program.

Reportedly there are no direct discharges of process or non-process wastewater to waters of the state of Ohio. Your company holds an effective Indirect Discharge Permit with the City of Akron. A review of the exterior of your facility noted the following:

- 1) The diked area for offloading latex contains round drain holes in the curb. Some were plugged and some were unplugged. It was suggested that all drain holes be either permanently plugged or fitted with valves. The valves must be in a closed position at all times until it is necessary to remove the collected stormwater. Before the stormwater can be discharged it must be at least visually evaluated for contamination. If it is clean it can be discharged in accordance with your stormwater permit. If it is not clean, then it must be disposed at a properly permitted facility.
- 2) The curbed area for the plastisol loading/unloading area should be kept clean at all times.
- 3) The tote and dumpster area located on the west side should also be kept clean as an accumulation of material was present during the inspection.
- 4) Noted was the fact that there are no storm sewers with inlets on the property. All stormwater runoff is sheet flow.

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You did possess an SWPPP as per your permit but it needs to be updated. The requirements for this plan can be found in section IV of the General Permit. If you wish you may use a template USEPA has published for a SWPPP with instructions. It can be found at the following Web address: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/msgp.cfm>, under Sample MSGP SWPPP Template (WORD).

Pictures of the areas described above are presented below. If you should have any questions concerning any of the above, feel free to contact this writer at (330) 963-1136.

Sincerely,



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