



Environmental
Protection Agency

John R. Kasich, Governor
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June 6, 2011

RE: RHEIN CHEMIE CORP.
3GR01168*DG
STORMWATER
GEAUGA COUNTY

Mr. Brad Benchina
Rhein Chemie Corp.
145 Parker Court
Chardon, OH 44024-1112

Dear Mr. Benchina:

On June 2, 2011 this writer conducted an inspection of your facilities, located at 145 and 160 Parker Court, Chardon, Ohio to determine compliance with your Industrial General Storm Water NPDES permit referenced above. Along with my observations from the inspection I have provided comments concerning your permit below:

General:

1. This site is the location of Rhein Chemie Corp, a company that does compounding, warehousing, and resale of chemicals.
2. For the 160 address, the storm water on the site empties into a drain which leads to a retention pond on the north side of the facility.
3. For the 145 address, the storm water on the site empties primarily by sheet flow to either side.
4. All drains near docking areas have valves and are shut when loading/unloading.
5. Flow to the retention pond can be blocked should a spill occur. The pond is scraped about every 5 years.

Permit:

1. Yearly visual inspection records should be included in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.
2. Yearly employee training dates and validation records should be kept with the SWPPP.
3. The SWPPP should include a certification that the discharge has been tested or evaluated (does not necessarily require discharge sampling) for the presence of non-storm water discharges. This signed certification shall include:
 - a. The identification of potential significant sources of non-storm water at the site.
 - b. A description of the results of any test and/or evaluation for the presence of non-storm water discharges.

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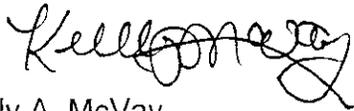
- c. The evaluation criteria or testing method used, the date of any testing and/or evaluation.
 - d. The on-site drainage points that were directly observed during the test.
4. The certification statement should be signed by the appropriate person.

Action Items

- Make suggested changes to SWPPP.

If you should have any questions concerning this letter, feel free to contact this writer at (330) 963-1125 or by email kelly.mcvay@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,



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