



Environmental Protection Agency

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

February 10, 2011

RE: SAINT-GOBAIN PERFORMANCE PLASTICS
GILCHRIST ROAD
SUMMIT COUNTY
3IQ00014*EX

Mr. Greg Davis
Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics
2664 Gilchrist Road
Akron, Ohio 44305

Dear Mr. Davis:

On February 4, 2011 this writer conducted an inspection of determining compliance with your NPDES permit. Mr. Ed Rosenberger, Saint-Gobain, accompanied me during the visit. A review of your operations revealed that nothing has changed since our last inspection in 2006. There are still 18 extrusion lines in operation discharging contact cooling water. Water is supplied by three on-site water wells, except for one extrusion line. Due to customer requirements, this line uses city water. This is the line that is thought to cause sporadic low level discharges of Total Residual Chlorine mentioned in our last inspection. To confirm this you are requested to test your incoming city water to determine whether or not similar levels of chlorine are present.

Total Residual Chlorine is measured at the time the sample is taken by Mr. Rosenberger using a HACH Meter Pocket Chlorometer II. A review of the data you have been submitting indicates that monthly analysis for the past three years has identified only one value (0.07 mg/l) over the Practical Quantification Level (PQL) value of 0.05 mg/l. If this continues, the TRC monitoring will probably be removed upon permit renewal.

pH, oil/grease, and phosphorous are done by the contract lab. Mr. Rosenberger was informed that pH must be done at the time the sample is taken.

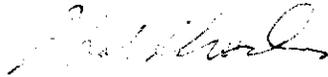
A review of your monthly operating data for the time period of November 2006 through December 2010 did not indicate any numeric violations, but did indicate the following frequency violations:

| Station | Parameter | Sample Frequency | Expected | Reported | Violation Date |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------------|
| 002 | Chemical Oxygen Demand | 1/Month | 1 | 0 | 03/01/2007 |
| 002 | Carbon, Total Organic | 1/Month | 1 | 0 | 03/01/2007 |

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Please submit a complete copy of your SWPPP when it is updated. If you should have any questions concerning this letter, feel free to contact this writer at (330) 963-1136.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip P. Rhodes".

Philip P. Rhodes, P.E.
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Surface Water

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