

MAHONING-TRUMBULL AIR POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

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July 1, 2011

R.A.S. Manufacturing Inc.
Attn: Rick Alesi
2749 Salts Springs Rd.
Youngstown, Ohio 44509

Re: Notice of Violation

Certified Mail 7009 1680 0001 7331 6806

To Whom it may Concern:

On June 15, 2011, the Mahoning-Trumbull Air Pollution Control Agency (M-TAPCA) observed a large fire at property located at 2749 Salts Springs Rd. Youngstown, Ohio 44509. The cloud of black smoke generated from the fire was observed from approximately 3-5 miles away by M-TAPCA inspectors. At the time of inspection this writer and Joseph Vizi, M-TAPCA observed a large pile of miscellaneous burning debris in the rear of the property. The pile consisted of but was no limited to plastic, wood, railroad ties and miscellaneous materials. (pictures attached).

Gary Schultz, Shultz's Universal 4504 Warren-Sharon Rd. Vienna, Ohio and Vern Burris of Shultz's Universal were onsite conducting cleanup of plastic and other materials from the interior and exterior areas of the property. Schultz was operating the Bobcat located near a roll-off dumpster upon arrival. Schultz indicated that he did not see the fire burning until approximately five minutes prior to M-TAPCA's arrival or who was responsible for starting the fire when asked by this writer. Burris also indicated he was not responsible and could not offer an explanation for the large fire burning out of control immediately behind him. Tire tracks from the Bobcat were observed by M-TAPCA inspectors leading directly to and from the burn pile. The Youngstown Fire Department arrived on scene at approximately 3:05 pm.

Please be advised you are in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-19-03. It is recommended by this agency that the burn pile be properly disposed and all open burning of illegal materials cease immediately to prevent future action.

Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-06(A) provides that the director of Ohio EPA may assess and Collect, through unilateral orders, civil penalties of not more than one thousand dollars per day for each separate violation of the open burning rules that occurs on industrial, commercial, institutional or municipal property.

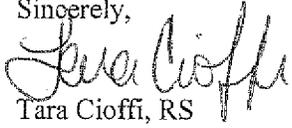
Be advised that this violation letter does not constitute a waiver of MTAPCA's ability to pursue further enforcement action through Ohio EPA concerning this or any other violations or to seek penalties as provided in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3704.

Enclosed is a copy of Ohio's Open Burning Standards for your review. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the regulations, please contact me at (330) 743-3333 extension 283.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara Cioffi".

Tara Cioffi, RS
Registered Sanitarian

Cc: Tom Kalman, OEPA

Schultz Universal, 4504 Warren-Sharon Rd. Vienna, Ohio 44473

Serra Land Co. LTD, 2749 Salts Springs Rd, Youngstown, Ohio 44509

Youngstown City Fire Department, April Rich, 420 MLK Blvd. Youngstown, Oh 44502