



John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
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Re: Mobile Lube, LLC
Hancock County
Complaint Investigation #3237
OHR 000 157 214
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March 25, 2013

Mr. Fred L. Schmits II, Owner
Mobile Lube, LLC
1305 First Street
Findlay, Ohio 45840

Dear Mr. Schmits:

On March 15, 2013, I visited your home/business, Mobile Lube, LLC, at 1305 First Street, Findlay, Ohio. The reason for my visit was to follow up on a complaint investigation received by Ohio EPA regarding the mismanagement of used oil. The complainant was concerned about the proper disposal/recycling of your used oil.

Mobile Lube, LLC (MLL), is an on-site service company. It will come to your remote location and complete an oil change or conduct a complete car detailing service. The used oil generated remotely is pumped into a container and transported and stored at 1305 First Street, Findlay, Ohio. You stated that currently you are taking your used oil to another business to burn for energy recovery. In May 2010, I told you this is not allowed and you must identify a proper recycler to handle your oil. I found the complaint to be valid since you have not identified a recycler to properly handle your oil.

Based on my observations, I found the following violations of Ohio's used oil regulations. MLL needs to immediately take the necessary measures to return to compliance with Ohio's environmental laws. Within 14 days of receipt of this letter, MLL is requested to provide documentation to this office including the steps taken to abate this violation.

1. OAC 3745-279-24 -- Used oil off-site shipments by generators.

Generators must ensure that they self-transport their used oil to approved collection centers. If a transporter is picking up the used oil, the transporter must have a U.S. EPA ID number.

During the inspection, you stated that you have been given your used oil to a friend to burn in a used oil furnace. I told you that you must stop this practice immediately. As a generator, you failed to send your used oil to a registered used oil collection center.

To abate this violation, you must send me a copy of a contractual agreement with an approved used oil collection center or recycler. In addition, send me a copy of the receipt of your first load of used oil handled by the recycler.

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As we discussed during the inspection, if you find ways to recycle reduce or altogether eliminate the amount of waste that your company generates you may be able to reduce your treatment and disposal costs. Thus, you may possibly reduce your regulatory requirements. Ohio EPA has helpful information about pollution prevention at the following web address:
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ocapp>.

Should you have any questions or if I can be of assistance, please contact me at (419) 373-3015.

Sincerely,



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NOTICE: Ohio EPA's failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this letter does not relieve your company from having to comply with all applicable regulations.