



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

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July 9, 2012

RE: PORTAGE COUNTY  
KENT  
INDUSTRIAL STORM WATER  
AMETEK ELECTROMECHANICAL GROUP  
PERMIT NO: 3GR00233

Mr. Dan McCullaugh  
Ametek Electromechanical Group  
627 Lake Street  
Kent, OH 44240

Dear Mr. McCullaugh:

On June 25, 2012, this writer conducted an inspection of your facility, located at 627 Lake Street, Kent, Ohio to determine compliance with the Ohio EPA General Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Industrial Activity #3GR00233\*EG. As a representative of Ametek Electromechanical Group, you were present during the inspection as well. Along with my observations from the inspection, I have provided comments concerning your permit below:

General

1. This site is the location of Ametek Electromechanical Group, a facility that stores electrical motors and occasionally tests them for research and development.
2. All of the storm water drainage on site drains to the city of Kent's municipal separate storm sewer system, which discharges into the Cuyahoga River to the north.

Inspection Observations

1. The metal and wood scrap dumpsters by the shipping docks are uncovered. The dumpsters must be covered with lids or tarps to prevent the collection of storm water and the formation of leachates.
2. The waste oil storage tank is inside a shed and is held over secondary containment. Please clearly label the tank "Used Oil" so to properly identify the contents inside the tank.
3. The compactor for the cardboard dumpster is leaking hydraulic oil (Figure 1). This oil must be cleaned up immediately and properly disposed of into the waste dumpster. Implement good housekeeping practices to make sure the area is always clean. Provide routine inspections on the compactor to check for any leaks. As a suggestion, a berm could be added to the area around the compactor so to contain any pollutants inside. This would also require good housekeeping and routine inspections to make sure that the inside of the berm does not create a pool of polluted water and overflow.

Permit

1. The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) must be updated to meet the new requirements if the new NPDES general permit #OH000005. The current SWPPP for the facility was last updated in the year 2001. A copy of the permit and guidance material can be found on the Ohio EPA website at:  
[http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/GP\\_IndustrialStormWater.aspx](http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/GP_IndustrialStormWater.aspx)

2. The non-storm water discharge section of your SWPPP must include documentation that you have evaluated for the presence of non-storm water discharges and all unauthorized discharges have been eliminated as required in Part 5.1.3.4 of the permit.

Action Items

- Cover scrap dumpsters with lids or tarps;
- Clearly label storage tank "Used Oil";
- Make aforementioned improvements to cardboard compactor;
- Implement good housekeeping practices throughout the facility; and
- Make aforementioned improvements to SWPPP.

You are directed to provide me with a letter of response, no later than July 27, 2012, indicating the actions you will take to address the concerns and violations noted above, along with a copy of your updated SWPPP.

If you should have any questions concerning this letter, feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1128 or by email [robert.hrusovsky@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:robert.hrusovsky@epa.state.oh.us).

Sincerely,



Robert Hrusovsky  
Assistant to the District Engineer  
Division of Surface Water

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cc: Gene Roberts, Service Director, City of Kent

INSPECTION PHOTOS  
June 25, 2012  
Portage County



Figure 1  
Compactor Leaking Hydraulic Oil