GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Department of Energy and Environment

TECHNICAL SUPPORT MEMORANDUM

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Chief, Permitting Branch

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SUBJECT:

New Again Auto Body of DC, LLC (dba North East Auto Body)

Permit No. 7158 to Operate an Automotive Paint Spray Booth at 3188

Bladensburg Road NE

DATE:

June 7, 2017

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A permit application to operate a paint spray booth at New Again Auto Body of DC, LLC (North East Auto Body)., located at 3188 Bladensburg Road NE, Washington, DC 20018 was received by the Air Quality Division (AQD) on May 5, 2016. Upon notification that the exhaust stack did not comply with 20 DCMR 718, an application supplement with a new stack design was submitted to John Nwoke by email on July 10, 2017. The equipment being addressed with this permitting action is a Zhondga AK DDF spray and curing booth.

AQD has determined that the facility is an existing source under the District of Energy and Environment new Columbia's newly promulgated (final December 1, 2016) "Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly Line Coating Operations Regulations" (20 DCMR 718). Any automobile refinishing facility that starts operation after February 9, 2016 is a new source under this regulation (and its predecessor emergency rulemaking); all others are considered to be existing.

This company started operation as an auto body paint shop at the location on January 1, 2010. However, based on an interview of the applicant on June 2, 2017, an automotive painting operation had existed at the location prior to September 17, 2007. Because the facility was actively engaged in surface coating prior to September 17, 2007, pursuant to 20 DCMR 63.11171, the facility is considered and existing source with respect to 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHH, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Paint Stripping and Miscellaneous Surface Coating Operations at Area Sources.

The permit action will be published in the DC Register on July 28, 2017. Public comments for the permit action will be solicited through August 28, 2017.

New Again Auto Body of DC, LLC. has not requested that any of the materials submitted with this application be held confidential.





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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The equipment at this site includes one standard side down draft paint booth, Zhondga AK DDF spray and curing model. The operation involves surface coating equipment, sanding, priming, and possibly chemical stripping equipment, as well as paint mixing and gun cleaning stations. There will be no use of methylene chloride (MeCl) at this facility. The company uses high volume low pressure (HVLP) spray guns. Cleaning methods include a fully enclosed spray gun cleaning system kept closed when not in use and an unatomized discharge of cleaning solvent into a paint waste container that is kept closed when not in use. The facility performs numerous sizes of jobs from full body jobs to small application touch-up jobs.

At the time of the original permit application submittal (received May 5, 2016), the stack configuration did not comply with 20 DCMR 718.19 because it did not discharge vertically upward and it may not have been vented at least five feet above the roof level. At the Department's request, they submitted plans to replace the vent stack via an email to John Nwoke on July 10, 2017. The new design complies with 20 DCMR 718.19 and therefore its construction is being proposed as part of this permit.

This facility is an existing source under 40 CFR 63, as discussed above, therefore the compliance date for 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHH was January 10, 2011.

It is difficult to accurately estimate emissions from an automotive paint spray booth due to the variations of coatings, job sizes, etc. that occur in a typical auto body paint shop. However, in order to determine a reasonable estimate for purposes of this evaluation, AQD referenced EPA's "Technical Support Document for Potential to Emit Guidance memo. Documentation of Emission Calculations" [Tim Smith, USEPA/OAQPS, April 1998]. Using an average VOC content of 3.5 pounds per gallon, this document estimates 4.8 pounds of VOCs could be emitted per average job. This document also estimates that a single paint booth could be used for no more than 25 jobs per week. Based on these estimates, AQD calculated potential emissions from the single paint booth of 3.12 tons per year of VOCs.

REGULATORY REVIEW

20 DCMR Chapter 2, Section 200: General Permit Requirements:

An auto body spray paint booth is a potential air pollution source because most auto body paints, coatings, and solvents contain volatile organic compounds that are emitted upon use. Thus a Chapter 2 permit is required.

20 DCMR Chapter 6, Section 606: Visible Emissions

The visible emissions limitations of 20 DCMR 606 are applicable to this facility. Proper operation of the equipment would preclude any visible emissions from being emitted into the outdoor atmosphere from the operation of the paint/spray booth and other equipment at the

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facility. This more stringent requirement (required by 20 DCMR 201) is contained in Condition II(i).

20 DCMR Chapter 7: Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Emissions Reduction
The requirements of 20 DCMR 700 were not included in the permit as they are not applicable when 20 DCMR 718 is applicable.

The facility is regulated under the newly revised 20 DCMR 718 which is the District's primary regulation for controlling air emissions from automotive painting operations. The requirements of this regulation have been included in the permit.

This memorandum will not cover all the detailed requirements of this regulation as they are extensive and make up the majority of the permit. However, highlights of the regulatory requirements include the following:

- Limits on allowable VOC content in coatings and solvents [Conditions II(b) and (c)];
- Limits on the coating methods and spray guns allowed [Conditions III(a) and (d) and related conditions];
- Emission point (stack) discharge height and exhaust velocity requirements [Condition III(c)] (primarily intended to reduce odor at ground level);
- Paint booth and filter specifications [Condition III(e)]; and
- Housekeeping and training requirements [Condition III(f)].

For all of these, appropriate monitoring, testing, and record keeping requirements have been included in the permit to ensure that compliance status can be determined.

20 DCMR Chapter 9, Section 903: Odorous or Other Nuisance Air Pollutants

"An emission into the atmosphere of odorous or other air pollutants from any source in any quantity and of any characteristic, and duration which is, or is likely to be injurious to the public health or welfare, or which interferes with the reasonable enjoyment of life or property is prohibited [20 DCMR 903.1]" is applicable to all sources. This requirement is contained in Condition II(h) of the permit. Many of the other conditions of the permit, especially many of those brought into the permit pursuant to 20 DCMR 718 are intended, at least in part, to reduce detectable odors. Should odors be problematic despite these requirements, Condition I(g), included in the permit pursuant to 20 DCMR 718.18, allows the Department to require the installation of additional control devices as necessary to ensure compliance.

20 DCMR Chapter 14, Section 1409: Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Paint Stripping and Miscellaneous Surface Coating Operations at Area Sources
This regulation adopts 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHHH by reference. Please see the discussion of 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHHH below in "Other Regulations".

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Other Regulations:

40 CFR Part 63 Subpart HHHHHHH, "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Paint Stripping and Miscellaneous Surface Coating Operations at Area Sources" (also known as the "Auto Body NESHAP") is applicable to the facility. The compliance date of January 10, 2011 is effective immediately since facility is an existing source. Many of the operational requirements of this regulation are similar to those of 20 DCMR 718. In some cases, 20 DCMR 718 references 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHHH.

To address the applicability of this regulation, it is indicated in the application that chemical paint strippers containing methylene chloride are not used at the site. Thus, the requirements for paint stripping are generally not applicable in this case. Condition II(a) of the permit was developed to ensure that no methylene chloride containing strippers are used at the facility.

The paint spray booth must meet the design requirements of 40 CFR 63.11173(e)(2)(ii). This requirement was included in the permit as Condition III(e)(3).

Condition III(e)(1) was written to allow the facility to use only exhaust filters with 98% or higher capture efficiency per 40 CFR 63.11173(e)(2)(i).

Condition III(a) of the permit was written to ensure compliance with the paint application technique specifications in both 20 DCMR 718.11 and 40 CFR 63.11173(e)(3). Similarly, the spray gun requirements of Condition III(d) were written to ensure compliance with 40 CFR 63.11173(e)(4) and 20 DCMR 718.15.

The training requirements of 40 CFR 63.11173(e)(1), (f), and (g) were included in the permit as Condition III(g).

All applicable record keeping requirements were included in Condition V of the permit. It should be noted that all records will be required to be kept for five years, rather than three per 20 DCMR 500.8, due to the more stringent five year requirement in 40 CFR 63.11178, the similar requirement in 20 DCMR 718.23, and the difficulty of having two different document retention policies for different sets of records.

The notification and reporting requirements of 40 CFR 63, Subpart HHHHHHH are contained in Conditions VI(a) through (c).

RECOMMENDATIONS

The application to operate the paint spray booth facility (as well as modify the exhaust stack) and the attached permit to construct and operate comply with all applicable federal and District air pollution control laws and regulations.

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Public comments for the permit action will be solicited from July 28, 2017 through August 28, 2017. AQD will resolve any comments received before taking any final action on the permit. If no adverse comments are received, I recommend that permit No.7158 be issued in accordance with 20 DCMR 200.2 promptly upon the completion of the public review period.

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