



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604**

DATE: APR 04 2019

SUBJECT: CLEAN AIR ACT INSPECTION REPORT
Trademark Metals Recycling (TMR) – Punta Gorda, Punta Gorda, Florida

FROM: Scott Connolly, Environmental Engineer
AECAB (IL/IN)

THRU: Nathan Frank, Section Chief
AECAB (IL/IN)

TO: File

BASIC INFORMATION

Facility Name: Trademark Metals Recycling (TMR) – Punta Gorda

Facility Location: 5005 Dalewood St., Punta Gorda, Florida 33982

Date of Inspection: March 5, 2019

EPA Inspectors:

1. Scott Connolly, Environmental Engineer
2. Shilpa Patel, Environmental Engineer

Other Attendees

1. Joe Stalker, Environmental Manager, TMR
2. Mark Bianculli, Regional Manager, TMR
3. Rusty Philips, Facility Manager, TMR

Contact Email Address: joe.stalker@djj.com

Purpose of Inspection: To determine compliance with the Clean Air Act

Facility Type: Metal recycling yard

Regulations Central to Inspection: 40 C.F.R. Part 82, Subpart F: Recycling and Emissions Reduction

Arrival Time: 1:40 pm

Departure Time: 3:00 pm

Inspection Type:

- ☒ Unannounced Inspection
- ☐ Announced Inspection

OPENING CONFERENCE

- ☒ Credentials Presented
- ☒ CBI warning to facility provided

The following information was obtained verbally from Joe Stalker unless otherwise noted.

Company Ownership: Trademark Metals Recycling LLC, is a wholly owned venture of the David J. Joseph Company (DJJ), which is a part of Nucor Corporation.

Process Description:

TMR – Punta Gorda accepts ferrous and non-ferrous metals for recycling from the general public and industrial suppliers. The facility accepts multiple small appliances daily and receives 1-2 cars per month. Cars are processed on site to remove fluids, refrigerants and other hazardous components. The facility sorts light iron, aluminum, copper scrap, and other metals into piles of like material for shipping to an appropriate recycling facility.

Staff Interview:

Facility staff stated that it requires appliances to be drained of refrigerants prior to accepting appliances. No small appliance refrigerant recovery is performed on-site. TMR requires that suppliers sign a Scrap Acceptance Agreement stating that suppliers will evacuate refrigerants prior to delivery at the facility. The facility also uses a one-use scrap acceptance agreement for certain customers.

TOUR INFORMATION

EPA toured the facility: Yes

Data Collected and Observations:

The scrap pile contained at several refrigerators that had no evidence of recovery and appeared to have been vented during material sorting operations.

Photos and/or Videos: were taken during the inspection.

A photo log is contained in Appendix A.

Field Measurements: were taken during this inspection.

CLOSING CONFERENCE

Requested documents:

- Scrap Acceptance Agreement (1 copy obtained)
- CFC Verification Statement (1 copy obtained)
- Prohibited Items and Conditional Acceptance Criteria (1 copy obtained)
- Refrigerant Recovery Receipt from Certified Refrigerant Services (1 copy obtained)

Concerns: We discussed that several likely intact units were observed in the scrap pile and that proper recovery of refrigerants from appliances did not appear to be occurring.

SIGNATURES

Report Author: Sett Cuntz Date: 4/2/2019

Section Chief: Mathew Date: 4/4/19

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APPENDICES AND ATTACHMENTS

I. **Appendix A: Digital Image Log**

Facility Name: Trademark Metals Recycling (TMR) – Punta Gorda

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APPENDIX A: DIGITAL IMAGE LOG

1. Photographer Name: Shilpa Patel	2. Date of Inspection: March 5, 2019
3. Company/Facility Name: Trademark Metals Recycling (TMR) – Punta Gorda	4. Street Address, City, State: 5005 Dalewood St., Punta Gorda, Florida
5. Number of Images: 5	6. Archival Record Location: Photos are located on the attached CD labelled “TMR Punta Gorda Inspection Photos”

Image Number	File Name	Date and Time	Latitude and Longitude	Description of Image
1	IMG_2684.JPG	3/5/2019 2:18	Data Not Available	Car processing refrigerant recovery equipment
2	IMG_2685.JPG	3/5/2019 2:18	Data Not Available	Car processing refrigerant recovery equipment
3	IMG_2686.JPG	3/5/2019 2:30	Data Not Available	Formerly intact refrigerator
4	IMG_2687.JPG	3/5/2019 2:30	Data Not Available	Refrigerator in ferrous scrap pile
5	IMG_2688.JPG	3/5/2019 2:35	Data Not Available	Refrigerator in ferrous pile, with no evidence of proper recovery