Air Enforcement: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality and Fordyce Railway Tank Car Refurbishing Facility Enter into Consent Administrative Order



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The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") and Transitech Inc. ("TI") entered into an April 30th Consent Administrative Order ("CAO") addressing an alleged violation of an air permit. See LIS No. 25-034.

The CAO provides that TI owns and operates a railway tank car refurbishing facility in Fordyce, Arkansas.

The facility is stated to operate pursuant to an air permit.

DEQ personnel are stated to have conducted a compliance inspection at the facility on May 1, 2024. The inspection is stated to have covered the reporting period of April 2022 through March 2024.

The inspection included a review of paint usage records which indicated that TI was emitting unpermitted Hazardous Air Pollutants ("HAPs") from the use of paints containing HAPs at its railcar refinishing process. The facility's current Air Operating Permit is stated to not authorize the emission of HAPs.

TI neither admits nor denies the factual and legal allegations contained in the CAO.

The CAO requires that within 30 calendar days of the effective date that TI must submit to DEQ a permit modification application to add HAPs to its Permit.

A civil penalty of $9,600.00 is assessed which could have been reduced to one-half if the CAO was signed and returned to DEQ within 30 calendar days of its receipt.

A copy of the CAO can be downloaded here.