

September 11, 2002

Ken DeRolf
UGN, Inc.
1001 State Street
Chicago Heights, Illinois 60411

Dear Ken DeRolf:

Re: Review Request Response
RR 127-16515-00072

On August 15, 2002, the Office of Air Quality (OAQ) received a letter related to air permitting issues. The letter was for UGN, Inc. and the installation of a barrier reclaim unit in their Valparaiso plant. This letter asked for a clarification related to the discounting of particulate matter that has a size greater than 100 microns. The following answer is provided:

Rule 326 IAC 1-2-52 defines "particulate matter" as "any airborne finely divided solid or liquid material, excluding uncombined water, with an aerodynamic diameter smaller than one hundred (100) micrometers. However, rule 326 IAC 6-3-1.5, approved in June 2002, defines "particulate" as "any finely divided solid or liquid material, other than uncombined water."

As shown above, the definition for rule 6-3 has no boundary level for what is considered as particulate. Thus, all material, regardless of its size, would be considered particulate for rule 6-3. So for the question contained in the letter, if the process is one to which rule 6-3 would apply, then the particulate matter with a size greater than 100 microns cannot be discounted.

If there are any questions, please contact Donald Poole at (317) 232 - 8327 or call (800) 451-6027 and ask for extension 2-8327.

Sincerely,
Original signed by Paul Dubenetzky

Paul Dubenetzky, Chief
Permits Branch
Office of Air Quality

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cc: File - Porter County
Air Compliance - Dave Sampias