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March 16, 2021

David Wood, Vice President of Engineering
Swisher International, Inc.
459 E. 16th St.
Jacksonville, FL 32206
dwood@swisher.com

**Re: NPDES Stormwater
FLRNEE539
Swisher International, Inc.
Duval County**

Dear Mr. Wood:

Department personnel conducted a compliance inspection of the above-referenced site on February 17, 2021. Based on the information provided during the inspection, the facility was determined to be in compliance with the Department's NPDES Stormwater rules and regulations. A copy of the inspection report is attached for your records.

The Department appreciates your compliance efforts. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Ashlen Ward at (904) 256-1603 or via email at Ashlen.Ward@FloridaDEP.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew Kershner".

Matthew Kershner
Environmental Manager
Compliance Assurance Program

Enclosure: Compliance Inspection Report

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Facility and Inspection Information									
Physical Location: Swisher International Inc 459 E 16th St Jacksonville, FL 32206-3063				Permit No.: FLRNEE539		Inspection Date: Feb 17, 2021			
				Effective Date: Feb 1, 2017		Entry Time: 10:00 AM			
				Expiration Date: Jan 31, 2022		Exit Time: 11:10 AM			
Mailing Address: Swisher International Inc 459 E 16th St Jacksonville, FL 32206-3063				District: Northeast		Hydrologic Conditions: Normal			
				County: Duval					
				Water Mgmt. SJRWMD		Latitude: 30 ° 21 ' 15 "			
				District:		Longitude: -81 ° 38 ' 45 "			
Receiving Waters or MS4: City of Jacksonville MS4				No. Employees: 450		Size of Property (acres): 20			
				No. Shifts: 3		Years at Location: 97			
Classification: Not Applicable Other: N/A				Operating Hrs.: 24/7		No. of Outfalls: 2			
Industrial Activity									
SIC Code: 2121		Analytical Reqmnt: No		Sector: U		Sector Description: Food and Kindred Products			
Company Representatives									
On-Site Representatives				Title		Company/Organization Name		Telephone	
Margarete Vest		Professional Engineer		PLE Consulting		(904) 566-5197			
Responsible Authority (RA)				Title		Company/Organization Name		Telephone	
David Wood		Vice President of Engineering		Swisher International Inc		(904) 353-4311			
RA Email Address:				dwood@swisher.com					
Inspection Comments									
<p>This is a company that manufactures Swisher cigar wrappers. The cigar papers are then sent to the Dominican Republic to be filled. All issues noted in the previous inspection done on 4/17/2014 by Hans Schenider were corrected and were still fixed during this visit. There are no longer any factory machine parts stored outside or any exposed trash receptables. Most of the facility has paved parking, with only one small gravel lot on-site with no tracking issues. The facility has a SPCC plan as well as multiple spill kits on-site. The facility is meeting all requirements of the No Exposure Checklist, thus an in-compliance letter is being sent.</p>									
Weather Conditions									
Possible rain events in the past 24 hours.									
Summary Evaluation									
Overall Inspection Rating: In Compliance									
Section Ratings: Ratings Key:									
S	Permit	S = Satisfactory or In Compliance				N/A = Not Applicable			
S	Condition of Receiving Waters	M = Marginal or Out of Compliance				N/C = Not Covered			
S	Facility Site Review	U = Unsatisfactory or Significantly Out of Compliance							
N	Plans/Monitoring	N = Not Evaluated							
Inspector Information									
Inspector Name		Office		Email		Telephone			
Ashlen Ward		Northeast District Office		Ashlen.Ward@FloridaDEP.gov		(904) 256-1603			
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Permit

Is coverage under a Multi-Sector Generic Permit (MSGP) required?	No
If 'No,' why not?	No Exposure Certification
Has an MSGP been applied for?	No
If 'Yes,' is the permit Active?	Not Applicable
If 'No,' why not?	No Exposure Certification
Comments: This facility qualifies for a NEX permit. The permit is currently active and plans to be renewed.	
Rating: This item is rated as 'Satisfactory'.	

Condition of Receiving Waters

Is stormwater discharge apparent at the time of the inspection?	No
Is there evidence that there has been a discharge of polluted runoff to a regulated receiving water (past or present)?	No
If 'Yes,' explain: Not Applicable	
Comments: There are two retention ponds on-site that are typically dry, and one small retention pond off-site that contained water. All three ponds were secure and well-maintained. All parking lot drains on-site flow to the on-site ponds. Storm drains along Walnut St and 16th St had no issues.	
Rating: This item is rated as 'Satisfactory'.	

Facility Site Review - No Exposure Certification (NEX)

Are any of the following materials or activities exposed to precipitation:	
1. Areas for storage, maintenance, washing, or use of industrial machinery or equipment?	No
2. Materials or residuals from spills/leaks on the ground or in stormwater inlets?	No
3. Materials or products from past industrial activities?	No
4. Material handling equipment (except for adequately maintained vehicles)?	No
5. Loading, unloading, or transportation of materials or products?	No
6. Materials or products stored outdoors (except for final products intended to be used outside)?	No
7. Materials contained in open, deteriorated, or leaking storage containers such as drums, barrels, or tanks?	No
8. Materials or products that are handled/stored on road or rails owned/maintained by the facility?	No
9. Waste materials (except for waste in covered, non-leaking containers (e.g., dumpsters))?	No
10. Process wastewater application or disposal (unless otherwise permitted)?	No
11. Particulate matter or visible deposits of residuals from roof stacks and/or vents not otherwise regulated (e.g., under an air quality control permit) and evident in stormwater discharges?	No
Comments: All dumpsters and trash cans outside had lids and were covered. The multiple loading and unloading areas all have overhangs. Outdoors is a double-walled 30,000g propane tank, a 8,000g isopropyl alcohol tank in containment, a 5,5000g industrial wastewater tank, and a triethylene glycol tank. The few stacks of metals stored outside are covered.	
Rating: This item is rated as 'Satisfactory'.	



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Inspection Rating Determination Form

Point Total:

Letter Type: Letter to Send:

S = Satisfactory M = Marginal U = Unsatisfactory N = Not Evaluated

<input type="text" value="S"/>	Permit	Pts
S	Has a Permit or Exclusion from coverage, and NOI is located on site	1
M	Has applied for Permit or Exclusion from coverage, but it is not active	2
U	Has not obtained permit coverage, or does not qualify for a No Exposure Exclusion	10

<input type="text" value="S"/>	Condition of Receiving Waters	Pts
S	Receiving water is <i>not</i> impacted from the offsite discharge of polluted runoff	1
M	Receiving water is <i>moderately</i> impacted from the offsite discharge of polluted runoff	3
U	Receiving water is <i>significantly</i> impacted from the offsite discharge of polluted runoff	6
N	No inspection completed, or access to discharge areas was not able to be obtained	0

<input type="text" value="S"/>	Facility Site Review	Pts
S	Overall, the site poses little to no chance for the offsite discharge of polluted stormwater	1
M	Overall, the site poses a moderate chance for the offsite discharge of polluted stormwater	3
U	Overall, the site poses a significant chance for the offsite discharge of polluted stormwater	6
N	No inspection completed, or access to the facility was not able to be obtained	0

<input type="text" value="N"/>	Plans/Monitoring	Pts
S	SWPPP is complete. Required records are up to date and accurate	1
M	SWPPP is not more than 50% incomplete and/or not updated. Incomplete records, or inspections/ reports are no more than 12 months past due	3
U	No SWPPP, or SWPPP is more than 50% incomplete. No records within the previous 12 month period	6
N	No permit, or a SWPPP is not required	0



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Single Event Violations

Check for Yes	Eval Area	Finding Code	SEV Code	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STM2	D0N11	The facility was discharging without an industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STM3	B0N12	The facility failed to conduct inspections according to the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FACS	STM4	B0N18	The facility failed to implement the stormwater pollution prevention plan for the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STM5	B0N41	The facility failed to maintain records for the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STM6	C0N11	The facility failed to monitor according to the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STM7	B0N17	The facility failed to develop any or an adequate stormwater pollution prevention plan for the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FACS	STM8	BN19A	The facility failed to properly install/implement best management practices.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FACS	STM9	BN19B	The facility failed to properly operate/maintain best management practices.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRPT	STMA	E0N16	The facility failed to submit the required non-DMR report for the industrial stormwater generic permit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RPPT	STMB	D0N18	The facility did not submit a Notice of Termination once all stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities had ceased.

Inspector Comments

Rationale for Letter:

The facility is meeting all no exposure guidelines. No issues were seen, thus an in-compliance letter is being sent.

Manager/Reviewer Comments

Concur with Recommendation?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Comments:

The facility was meeting all NEX requirements and no issues were seen, thus they will be sent an in-compliance letter.

Inspector Signature

Signed: Mar 13, 2021

Manager/Reviewer Signature

Signed: Mar 16, 2021