



**Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
Hazardous Waste Inspection Report**

FACILITY INFORMATION:

Facility Name: Tropical Shipping & Construction Co Ltd
On-Site Inspection Start Date: 09/22/2016 **On-Site Inspection End Date:** 09/22/2016
ME ID#: 50031 **EPA ID#:** FLR000095737
Facility Street Address: 5 E 11th St, Riviera Beach, FL 33404-6920
Contact Mailing Address: 5 E 11th St, Riviera Beach, FL 33404-6920
County Name: PALM BEACH

NOTIFIED AS:

Non-Handler
Transporter

INSPECTION TYPE:

Routine Inspection for Hazardous Waste Transporter facility
Routine Inspection for Used Oil Generator facility
Routine Inspection for Non-Handler facility

INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS:

Principal Inspector: Juchan Choi, Inspector
Other Participants: Matt Sheppard, Director of Safety

LATITUDE / LONGITUDE: Lat 26° 46' 16.8888" / Long 80° 3' 13.7124"

SIC CODE: 4449 - Trans. & utilities - water transportation of freight, nec

TYPE OF OWNERSHIP: Private

Introduction:

Tropical shipping is an ocean cargo shipping company that services the United States, and Caribbean islands. This facility is located at the Port of Palm Beach, consists of five acres, employs 500 people, utilizes city water and sewer, and has been in operation at this location for more than 40 years. The facility originally notified the Department of its status as a Small Quantity Generator (SQG) of hazardous waste on January 17, 2003. The facility then notified as a non-handler and a hazardous waste transporter on October 26, 2015.

Process Description:

The Tropical Shipping has relocated their main office to 501 Avenue P, Riviera Beach, FL 33404. However, the office relocation has not completed yet. Mr. Sheppard explained that the company anticipates to complete their office relocation by end of 2016 and they will formally submitting an address change upon the renewal of 8700-12FL. Mr. Sheppard stated that the TS has registered as a transporter because an oil refinery in the Virgin Islands needed to ship its wastes. Hazardous wastes were to be shipped to Puerto Rico, and/or Florida with an end disposal destination of Texas. To date, Puerto Rico is the only TS that has transported hazardous wastes. If wastes were to be received in Palm Beach, the wastes would only be on the loading docks for a short period of time, and would then be loaded onto another boat that was destined to Texas.

The TS rarely conducts heavy equipment maintenance at their facility. The facility provided manifest showing used oil and used oil filters has been transferred to World Petroleum facility located at 3650 SW 46th ave, Davie, FL 33314 (FLD980709075). The records showed that the facility generates wastes under CESQG limit. The TS properly documented HW liability endorsement, modified contingency plan and training records which recorded electronically.

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PHOTO ATTACHMENTS:

Tropical Shipping New main office



Tropical Shipping New Warehouse



manifest

training record

Conclusion:

Based on the evaluated area, the facility was in compliance at the time of this inspection.

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1.0 - Pre-Inspection Checklist

Requirements:

The requirements listed in this section provide an opportunity for the Department's inspector to indicate the conditions found at the time of the inspection. A "Not Ok" response to a requirement indicates either a potential violation of the corresponding rule or an area of concern that requires more attention. Both potential violations and areas of concern are discussed further at the end of this inspection report.

Item No.	Pre-Inspection Review	Yes	No	N/A
1.1	Has the facility notified with correct status? 262.12	✓		
1.2	Has the facility notified of change of status? 62-730.150(2)(b)	✓		
1.3	Did the facility conduct a waste determination on all wastes generated? 262.11	✓		

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Signed:

A hazardous waste compliance inspection was conducted on this date, to determine your facility's compliance with applicable portions of Chapters 403 & 376, F.S., and Chapters 62-710, 62-730, 62-737, & 62 -740 Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Portions of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) 260 - 279 have been adopted by reference in the state rules under Chapters 62-730 and 62-710, F.A.C.

Juchan Choi	Inspector
PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR NAME	PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR TITLE

<i>Juchan Choi</i>	DEP	10/25/2016
PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR SIGNATURE	ORGANIZATION	DATE

Matt Sheppard	Director of Safety
Representative NAME	Representative TITLE

Tropical Shipping USA, LLC

ORGANIZATION

NOTE: By signing this document, the Site Representative only acknowledges receipt of this Inspection Report and is not admitting to the accuracy of any of the items identified by the Department as "Potential Violations" or areas of concern.

Report Approvers:

Approver: <u>Karen E. Kantor</u>	Inspection Approval Date: <u>10/25/2016</u>
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