



Green Tier Program Annual Report 4.1.16

To Whom It May Concern:

Cortec Coated Products produces coated papers for various uses and industries, using water based coatings on both recycled and virgin papers. Being green has always been the main business culture.

As part of the overall EMS system, 11 internal audits were performed. Zero corrective actions and 4 opportunities for improvement were found. A list of environmental aspects and significant aspects is maintained and reviewed at least once per year.

Environmental Accomplishments for 2015:

1. Continued recycling with vendor haul-away-proved by emptying compactor no more than once per year.
2. Continued checking and recording of coater oven temps monthly to make sure system is recovering heat properly. Running at about 56% average recovery rate.
3. No hazardous waste shipped.

Goals for 2016:

1. Have less than 7 tons of garbage.
2. Have 2% less gallons of industrial waste.

Please find additional information related to DNR Environmental Indicators list below:

- 1.1 Water Use-
 - 1.1.1 219,478 pounds of water were used in production of products in 2015. This is 97,777 pounds less than the 317,255 pounds used in 2014.
 - 1.1.2 There are minimal/no sources for additional phosphorous to be released into water.
 - 1.1.3 Waste water would include domestic waste, floor washing, overspray of product, obsolete/unusable product.
- 1.2 Air Emissions are minimal and currently no air permit is required.
- 1.3 Solid waste produced includes packaging materials, lunchroom, and off-spec material that cannot be reused.

- 1.3.1 7.74 tons of garbage was disposed of in 2015. This is 1.55 ton more then the 6.19 tons disposed of in 2014 due to disposal of a large empty tank.
 - 1.3.3 No hazardous materials were shipped.
 - 1.3.4 No mercury was released into the environment.
 - 1.3.5 Currently, the following materials are recycled: paper, aluminum cans, cardboard, fiber cores, ink jet cartridges, mercury (from light bulbs, thermometers, etc.), lead batteries if any present, metal (from old equipment, empty aerosol cans, etc.), electronics including computer components. Also, 100% post consumer recycled paper will be used whenever possible, printing on both sides of the page is encouraged.
- 1.4 Energy Use- Plant Building uses heat recovery system to reduce energy.
- 1.6 There were no spills of hazardous substances released to the environment.

Sincerely,

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