



Variance from Classification as a Waste & Comment Period

June 2020

Facility Names: Envirite of Ohio, Inc. and EQ Metals Recovery, LLC

US EPA I.D.:

OHD 980 568 992 (Envirite of Ohio, Inc.)
OHD 986 982 155 (EQ Metals Recovery, LLC)

Locations:

Envirite of Ohio, Inc. 2050 Central Ave SE Canton, Ohio 44707	EQ Metals Recovery, LLC 1533 Allen Ave SE Canton, Ohio 44707
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Facility Owner:

Envirite of Ohio, Inc.
2050 Central Ave SE
Canton, Ohio 44707

Facility Operators:

Envirite of Ohio, Inc. 2050 Central Ave SE Canton, Ohio 44707	EQ Metals Recovery, LLC 1533 Allen Ave SE Canton, Ohio 44707
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Activity:

Variance from Classification as a Waste for the reclamation of metals from metal-bearing hazardous wastes.

Comment Period:

June 3, 2020 – August 3, 2020

Submit Comments to:

Ohio EPA
PUBLICCOMMENT@epa.ohio.gov
(614) 441-0261

What does the facility do?

Envirite of Ohio, Inc. (Envirite) operates and maintains a hazardous waste storage, treatment, and recycling facility. Envirite accepts metal-bearing hazardous waste and using physical and/or chemical separation and digestion technologies, concentrates the content of the metals of economic interest.

EQ Metals Recovery, LLC (EQ Metals) then further reclaims and processes these liquid and solid concentrates using noncontact convection driers, producing a Liquid or Solid Concentrate which is a raw material substitute for the metal smelting and chemical manufacturing industries.

What would this variance allow the facility to do?

Envirite currently has an Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Installation and Operation Permit (Permit) to store and treat hazardous waste, this variance allows Envirite and EQ Metals to reclaim the metal-bearing hazardous waste without a Permit.

Without this variance, the reclamation activities described would be considered hazardous waste management activities and would need to be included in Envirite's Permit, and EQ Metals would need to obtain a Permit.

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What is the regulatory basis to support this variance?

Ohio EPA evaluated Envirite and EQ Metals' application considering the factors in OAC Rule 3745-50-24(C).

The draft variance contains the conditions under which the facilities must operate if the variance receives final approval.

How can I become more involved?

All persons, including the applicant(s), may submit written comments relating to this draft action. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted before the end of the comment period to the address in the box on the front of the page. Ohio EPA will hold a public meeting if enough people request such a gathering. Ohio EPA may modify the proposed variance or take other action based on new information or public comments, so your opinion is important.

The comment period begins on June 3, 2020 and ends on August 3, 2020.

The Ohio draft action is available for review by the public online under the "What's New" tab at:

<https://epa.ohio.gov/derr/>

The entire record for this draft action is available via Ohio EPA's eDocument portal:

<http://edocpub.epa.ohio.gov/publicportal/edochome.aspx>

Using the search function, search under the document type of "Non-permit Related Variance" and then refine the search using one of the facilities' RCRA ID number (Secondary ID): OHD 980 568 992 (Envirite of Ohio, Inc.) and OHD 986 982 155 (EQ Metals Recovery, LLC).

Copies of the variance application, factsheet, and the draft variance will also be available, when possible, for review by the public at the following locations:

Ohio EPA, Northeast District Office
2110 East Aurora Road
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087
(330) 963-1200

Ohio EPA, Central Office
Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization
Lazarus Government Center
50 West Town St., Suite 700
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 644-2924

Stark County Public Library –
DeHoff Memorial Branch
216 Hartford Ave SE
Canton, OH 44707
(330) 452-9014

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Within sixty (60) days of the close of the public comment period, Ohio EPA will, without prior hearing, issue the variance (or deny the request) in accordance with Chapter 3734 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). If Ohio EPA approves the application, taking into account public comments, a renewal variance will be issued with terms and conditions as are necessary to ensure compliance with hazardous waste rules.

After the close of the public comment period, Ohio EPA will review all comments received and decide whether to issue the variance. The final decision will include notification to those who submitted written

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comments during the official comment period. Ohio EPA will also prepare and send to all responders a document answering significant comments. Within 30 days of a final decision, any person who submitted written comments or made a statement at the hearing if one is held may petition Ohio EPA's Environmental Review Appeals Commission Board to review the decision.

Who can I contact for more information?

For additional information, please contact Halee Smith at 614-441-0261.