

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
RECOMMENDATION TO REVOKE AIR PERMIT MEMORANDUM

Date: 6/19/2020

To: Joanne Smiddie-Brush, Section Chief
Permits Administration Support Section
Permits Branch
Office of Air Quality

Thru: Phil Perry, Branch Chief
Compliance and Enforcement
Branch
Office of Air Quality

From: Tammy Haug, Air Compliance Inspector
Nicholas Carr, Director, SWRO  6/19/2020
Section Chief, Martin Yeates
Compliance and Enforcement Branch
Office of Air Quality

Source Name: BRC Chinook LLC

Source ID: 167-00055

Source Location address: 3589 N 500W Brazil, IN 47834

Operating Permit # to be revoked: 167-33670-00055

Based upon reviewing 326 IAC 2-1.1-9 and conducting a compliance inspection and records review, the source is permanently closed and the operating air permit for BRC Chinook LLC can be revoked. Please revoke the air permit and issue a Revocation and Notice of Decision.

☐ Revocation and Notice of Decision should be mailed to:

Name:
Title:
Address:
City:
State:
Zip Code:

OR

☒ There is no person identified with the source to receive the Revocation. The Revocation should take the form of a Memo to File.

cc: Kimberly Roberts, (IDEM, OAQ) KSRobert@idem.IN.gov

**Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Air Quality
Air Permit Revocation Supporting Documentation Log**

Source Name	BRC Chinook LLC	OAQ Inspector	Tammy Haug
Source ID	167-00055	Date of Review	6/8/2020

Methods used to determine/verify source closure (Check all that apply.)

	Method (From Step 3 in SOP)	Verification	Comments
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(a) Inspection/Site visit	Inspection Date:	6/16/2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) Corporate staff contact	Contact Date: Name: Title: Contact submitting information for Permit Revocation? Other Comments	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	(c) Internet search (attach any article found)	Date of Search:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(c) County Health Department	Contact & Date:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(d) Secretary of State's website operating status	Operating?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	(e) Commenced construction	Commenced within 18 months? Date of Issuance of Permit:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	(f) Disconnected phone number?	Phone number: Date verified	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(f) Returned U.S. Mail/Email	Document(s) type: Date(s) of returned mail:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(g) Non-payment of permit fees	Year(s) not paid	2018 to date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(h) Non-submittal of Emission Statements, Quarterly Report, Annual Compliance Certifications, Annual Notifications	Year(s) not submitted	2017 to date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other Information	Registered Agent	Stated company is out of business
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Information		

Comments: The Air Source Id shows that facility in Vigo county. The facility was located in Clay County.

**OFFICE OF AIR QUALITY
FIELD INSPECTION**

SOURCE: BRC Chinook, LLC
LOCATION: 3589 N 500 W
CITY: Brazil
COUNTY: Clay

NC 6/19/2020

PLANT ID NUMBER: 167-00055
INSPECTED BY: T. Haug
TIME IN: 10:45 am TIME OUT: 11:00 am
INSPECTION DATE: 6/16/2020
REPORTED BY: T. Haug
REPORT DATE: 6.19.2020
ACES NUMBER: 248186

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION: YES ☐ NO ☒

COMPLAINT NUMBER:

ATTAINMENT: ☒

NONATTAINMENT: ☐ SO₂ ☐ CO ☐ O₃ ☐ NO₂ ☐ Pb ☐ PM₁₀ ☐ PM_{2.5} ☐

PERMIT TYPE: SSOA
PERMIT NO: 167-33670-00055

CHECK IF APPLICABLE: NSPS ☒ NESHAP ☐ PSD ☐ OTHER (explain):

PERSONS/TITLE INTERVIEWED:

Name	Title	Phone Number	Email
Glen	Fuel truck operator		

OBJECTIVES:

Compliance Monitoring Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Commitment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Multimedia Screening	<input type="checkbox"/>	Surveillance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complaint	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mega-site: PCE <input type="checkbox"/> FCE <input type="checkbox"/>			

Announced Inspection: ☐

Unannounced Inspection: ☒

Were all relevant documents reviewed prior to the inspection: Yes ☒ No ☐ (explain)

DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE:

Stationary combination coal mine and preparation plant
33670 SSOA AA issued 10/11/13 name change
27370 SSOA 1/29/2009

BACKGROUND:

The facility was last inspected on September 23, 2014 with no violations noted. At the time of the inspection the source was only conducting remediation work. The plant had been shut down for about 3 years and the equipment was currently being disassembled per the field inspection report.

I contacted several phone numbers that were available in the permit and on the internet. No one knew of the facility. I emailed the Registered Agent about the company. They faxed me back stating BRC was no longer in business.

Although the Facility Id is Vigo County, the source and source address is located in Clay County.

PROCESS DESCRIPTION/FINDINGS/OBSERVATIONS:

On June 16, 2020 I drove to the location to determine if there were any coal mining activities occurring. The large rusted metal mail box hung askew on the post at the unsecured entrance. There was only one large building with the sliding door open. I drove to where the pit had been located; the land was flat, photos attached. On the other side of the previously mined area, about 1000 yards, there was a loader filling dump trucks with dirt, that was mounded up, and relocating it to the north. I observed dust in the distance of where the trucks were dumping the dirt. My navigable road ended (with my sedan) and I could not traverse any further to see where they were depositing the dirt.

On the way out to the county road, there were two fuel tanker trucks and a pickup truck. The pickup had a Triad Mine sticker. I observed only one person. I stopped and inquired about the mine operations. He stated that the mine has not been active in several years and that reclamation was only being completed.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: None

CONCLUSIONS:

The facility is closed.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A source closure memo will be completed.

EXIT INTERVIEW:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Recommendation To Revoke Air Permit Memorandum
Fax from Registered Agent

PHOTO NUMBER:1 and 2



SITE DESCRIPTION: previous pit of BRC coal mine
3589 N CR 500 W, Brazil, IN 47834

PHOTOGRAPHER: T. Haug, IDEM OAQ

DATE AND TIME: 6/16/2020; 10:54 am

OTHERS PRESENT: NA

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Previous pit of BRC coal mine

Looking west. Just in front of trees can view dump truck moving north with a load of dirt from a pile.