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### Ohio EPA, Baerlocher USA Settle Hazardous Waste Violations

Baerlocher USA, LLC has paid \$23,025 to Ohio EPA for not adhering to Ohio's hazardous waste management regulations at its Tuscarawas County facility (3676 Davis Road NW, Dover).

The company makes a liquid, mixed-metal stabilizer for the vinyl industry. This facility generates hazardous wastes, namely condensate from a carbon tower, drippings, scrap water, filter press filters, process samples and wastewater.

At a February 2008 inspection, Ohio EPA determined that Baerlocher USA had stored hazardous waste on-site more than 90 days without a permit and failed to correctly label and seal containers of hazardous waste. Ohio EPA also found that the company failed to assess and inspect hazardous waste tanks and record such inspections. Finally, the Agency determined that Baerlocher USA did not have an adequate on-site contingency plan and did not properly provide hazardous waste training to employees.

In mid-March, Ohio EPA sent a letter to the company alerting Baerlocher USA of these violations. The company responded quickly and abated several violations by late April. However, a few violations persist. Ohio EPA is requesting that the company submit an adequate contingency plan by August and tank assessments for three tanks by September.

Baerlocher USA has paid a portion of its civil penalty (\$18,420) to Ohio EPA's Hazardous Waste Cleanup Fund. The remaining portion (\$4,605) has been paid to the Agency's Clean Diesel School Bus Fund. This fund helps retrofit school buses with pollution control equipment to reduce particulate emissions from the buses' diesel engines.

For more information:

Ohio EPA's Clean Diesel School Bus Program:  
[www.epa.state.oh.us/oeef/html/schoolbus.html](http://www.epa.state.oh.us/oeef/html/schoolbus.html)

Settlement with Baerlocher USA:  
[www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm/pdf/DFFO.Baerlocher.%20USA.10July08.pdf](http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dhwm/pdf/DFFO.Baerlocher.%20USA.10July08.pdf)