

## **NARRATIVE**

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Facility Name: **Fort Dearborn Company**  
AIRS No.: 085-00004  
Location: Dawsonville, GA (Dawson County)  
Application #: 29210 (**Expedited**)  
Date of Application: February 26, 2024

### **Background Information**

Fort Dearborn Company (hereinafter “facility”) is an existing facility located at 103 Lumpkin Campground Road North in Dawsonville (Dawson County). The facility is a commercial printing facility that uses flexographic and rotogravure printing presses. The facility is a synthetic minor source for emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and individual/total hazardous air pollutants (HAPs). The facility is currently permitted under Permit Nos. 2759-085-0004-S-03-0 (6/7/2017) and 2759-085-0004-S-03-1 (1/12/2021).

### **Purpose of Application**

The facility submitted an **expedited** air permit application, assigned number 29210, dated February 26, 2024, for the construction and operation of a 10-color, 42" flexographic press (Source Code P10). Proposed press P10 will replace the DCM rotogravure press with Source Code P6. Proposed press P10 will be controlled by the existing regenerative thermal oxidizer (RTO, ID No. 8ES).

### **Updated Equipment List**

| Emission Units |                             |                   | Associated Control Devices |                               |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Source Code    | Description                 | Installation Date | Source Code                | Description                   |
| P1             | Flexographic Printing Press | 2008              | PTE1 8ES                   | Permanent Total Enclosure RTO |
| P8             | Flexographic Printing Press | 2017              | PTE2 8ES                   | Permanent Total Enclosure RTO |
| P9             | Flexographic Printing Press | 2020              | PTE1 8ES                   | Permanent Total Enclosure RTO |
| P10*           | Flexographic Printing Press | 2024*             | PTE2 8ES                   | Permanent Total Enclosure RTO |

\*proposed within current application

### **Emissions Summary**

VOC emissions from the proposed press and housekeeping (cleaning operations) were computed using the potential ink plus solvent usage, and the maximum VOC weight percent content.

Individual and total HAPs from the proposed press and from housekeeping (cleaning operations) were computed using the potential ink plus solvent usage and the maximum individual HAP content. The facility has the potential to emit the following HAPs from ink and solvent usage and from cleaning operations:

| <b>Table 1</b>                          |                |
|---|----------------|
| <b>HAP</b>                              | <b>CAS No.</b> |
| Glycol Ethers                           | N/A            |
| Acetaldehyde                            | 75070          |
| 4,4' diphenylmethane diisocyanate (MDI) | 101688         |
| Ethylbenzene                            | 100414         |
| Ethylene Glycol                         | 107211         |
| Hexane                                  | 110543         |
| MIBK                                    | 108101         |
| Toluene                                 | 108883         |
| 1,1,1 trichloroethane                   | 71556          |
| Vinyl acetate                           | 108054         |
| Xylene (o-, m-, p-isomer)               | 1330207        |
| Xylene (o-isomer)                       | 95476          |
| Xylene (m-isomer)                       | 108383         |
| Xylene (p-isomer)                       | 106423         |

Note: VOC and HAP emissions from the use of additional solvents, cleaners, and mineral spirits occur at process stages which are located post-printing and post-RTO system. The potential and actual VOC and HAP emissions from this material usage are computed on an uncontrolled basis.

### **Facility-Wide Emissions** (in tons per year)

| <b>Table 2</b>                         |                            |                   |                         |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Pollutant</b>                       | <b>Potential Emissions</b> |                   |                         |
|  | <b>Before Mod.</b>         | <b>After Mod.</b> | <b>Emissions Change</b> |
| PM/PM <sub>10</sub> /PM <sub>2.5</sub> | --                         | --                | --                      |
| NO <sub>x</sub>                        | --                         | --                | --                      |
| SO <sub>2</sub>                        | --                         | --                | --                      |
| CO                                     | --                         | --                | --                      |
| VOC                                    | <100                       | <100              | 0.0                     |
| Max. Individual HAP                    | <10                        | <10               | 0.0                     |
| Total HAP                              | <25                        | <25               | 0.0                     |

| Table 2                   |                     |            |                  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|
| Pollutant                 | Potential Emissions |            |                  |
|                           | Before Mod.         | After Mod. | Emissions Change |
| Total GHG (if applicable) | --                  | --         | --               |

### **Regulatory Applicability**

The facility is subject to Georgia Rules 391-3-1-.02(2)(b) and (e) and no changes are proposed based on the proposed project.

The facility is not subject to Georgia Rule 391-3-1-.02(2)(mm) because the facility's potential to emit of VOCs is limited to less than 100 tons during any consecutive twelve-month period.

40 CFR 60 Subpart QQ-Standards of Performance for the Graphic Arts Industry: Publication Rotogravure Printing ("NSPS QQ"): NSPS QQ is not an applicable requirement because the facility does not operate any existing or proposed publication rotogravure printing presses.

The facility is not subject to an Area Source Standard under 40 CFR 63.

### **Permit Conditions**

Existing Conditions 2.1 through 4.1, 4.3 and 4.4 still apply and remain unchanged.

Existing Condition 4.2 has been **modified** to remove the 72 hours per year requirement.

Existing Condition 4.5 establishes the requirement to set the VOC DRE to 0% for the RTO when the RTO is not in operation or when the combustion chamber temperature is below the established temperature. This Existing Condition is being **moved** to New Conditions 7.8 and 7.9. Existing Condition 4.5 is **modified** to require the facility to take all reasonable precautions to minimize fugitive VOC emissions.

Existing Condition 5.1 is **modified** to require the facility to use the continuous combustion chamber temperature of the RTO to determine and record the consecutive three-hour average temperature for every hour of operation of the RTO.

Existing Condition 5.2 is **modified** to clarify the applicable monitoring of the permanent total enclosures.

**New Condition 5.3 is added** to require the facility to comply with this general monitoring requirement.

Existing Condition 6.2 requires the facility to conduct a Method 204 test to verify the permanent total enclosure (PTE) around the press P9. The facility conducted this test on May 4, 2021, and verified that press P9 is housed in a PTE. This Existing Condition is **modified** to require the facility to conduct a Method 204 tests to verify that proposed press P10 is housed in a PTE. The Method 204 testing shall be conducted within 180 days after the initial startup of Press P10.

Existing Condition 6.3 requires the facility to conduct VOC destruction efficiency test on the RTO at least once every 5 years. This Existing Condition is **modified** to require the facility to conduct this test on the RTO within 180 days after initial startup of press P10 while the associated flexographic presses are operating.

Existing Condition 7.3 is **modified** to reference **New Condition 7.8**.

Existing Condition 7.5 is **modified** to reference **New Condition 7.9**.

Existing Condition 7.7 is **deleted** and replaced with New Condition 7.10 as it pertains to operation of one or more of the presses without operating the RTO.

**New Conditions 7.8 and 7.9** establish the formulas for computing actual VOC and individual/total HAPs. In addition, these conditions establish the criteria for setting the destruction efficiency to 0% and/or the capture efficiency to 0%.

**New Condition 7.10** replaces Existing Condition 7.7 and this new condition establishes the excursions definitions associated with the capture system and the operation of the RTO.

**New Condition 7.11** requires the facility to maintain records of the capture system monitoring requirements required by Existing Condition 5.2.

**New Condition 7.12** establishes the notification of initial startup of proposed press P10 to the Division.

### **Toxic Impact Assessment**

The Division conducted an updated assessment of whether the facility's operations comply with the Georgia Air Toxics Guideline ("Guideline"). The Minimum Emissions Rates (MERs) apply, in this case, since these potentially emitted TAPs are exhausted to the outdoor atmosphere through an unobstructed vertical stack. The following table summarizes the TAPs emitted by the facility:

| <b>Table 3: TAPs Analysis</b>           |                |               |   |                              |                |                               |
|---|----------------|---------------|---|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>TAP</b>                              | <b>CAS No.</b> | <b>A HAP?</b> | <b>A<br/>Uncontrolled<br/>PTE<br/>(lb/yr)<sup>1</sup></b> | <b>B<br/>MER<br/>(lb/yr)</b> | <b>A&gt;B?</b> | <b>Requires<br/>Modeling?</b> |
| 1,1,1 trichloroethane                   | 71556          | Yes           | 20,000  | 220,000                      | No             | No                            |
| 4,4' Diphenylmethane diisocyanate (MDI) | 101688         | Yes           | 20,000  | 146                          | Yes            | Yes                           |
| Acetaldehyde                            | 75070          | Yes           | 20,000  | 1,110                        | Yes            | Yes                           |
| Carbon Black                            | 1333864        | No            | 16,000  | 404                          | Yes            | Yes                           |
| Diacetone Alcohol                       | 123422         | No            | 10,000  | 27,800                       | No             | No                            |
| Dipropylene Glycol Methyl Ether         | 34590948       | No            | 26,000  | 69,500                       | No             | No                            |
| Ethanol                                 | 64175          | No            | 124,000   | 219,000                      | No             | No                            |
| Ethyl Acetate                           | 141786         | No            | 52,000  | 162,000                      | No             | No                            |
| Ethylbenzene                            | 100414         | Yes           | 20,000  | 243,000                      | No             | No                            |
| Ethylene Glycol                         | 107211         | Yes           | 20,000  | 20,100                       | No             | No                            |

<sup>1</sup> The PTE for individual HAPs is set at 10 tpy or 20,000 lb/yr. The PTE for non-HAPs is based on the uncontrolled PTE in tpy from Appendix D-Attachment 1.

**Table 3: TAPs Analysis**

| TAP                                | CAS No.  | A HAP? | A<br>Uncontrolled<br>PTE<br>(lb/yr) <sup>1</sup> | B<br>MER<br>(lb/yr) | A>B? | Requires<br>Modeling? |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------|--|---------------------|------|-----------------------|
| Hexane                             | 110543   | Yes    | 20,000   | 170,000             | No   | No                    |
| Isopropyl Acetate                  | 108214   | No     | 10,000   | 110,000             | No   | No                    |
| Isopropyl Alcohol                  | 67630    | No     | 1,876,000  | 114,000             | Yes  | Yes                   |
| MIBK                               | 108101   | Yes    | 20,000   | 453,000             | No   | No                    |
| Propyl Acetate (n-)                | 109604   | No     | 518,000  | 97,300              | Yes  | Yes                   |
| Propyl Alcohol (n-) or<br>Propanol | 71238    | No     | 2,086,000  | 57,900              | Yes  | Yes                   |
| Titanium Dioxide<br>(Total Dust)   | 13463677 | No     | 182,000  | 1,740               | Yes  | Yes                   |
| Toluene                            | 108883   | Yes    | 20,000   | 1,220,000           | No   | No                    |
| Vinyl Acetate                      | 108054   | Yes    | 20,000   | 48,700              | No   | No                    |
| Xylene (o-, m-, p-<br>isomers)     | 1330207  | Yes    | 20,000   | 24,300              | No   | No                    |
| Xylene (o-isomer)                  | 95476    | Yes    | 20,000   | 24,300              | No   | No                    |
| Xylene (m-isomer)                  | 108383   | Yes    | 20,000   | 24,300              | No   | No                    |
| Xylene (p-isomer)                  | 106423   | Yes    | 20,000   | 24,300              | No   | No                    |

The facility-wide TAPs are emitted by the flexographic printing presses (and associated housekeeping (cleaning) operations) on a captured and controlled basis. The Division concurs with the facility's source characterization and associated modeling parameters as stated in Section 3.1 of Attachment D of the permit application. The following table summarizes the SCREEN3 modeled results at an emissions rate of 0.126 g/s.

**Table 5: SCREEN 3 Results**

| MGLC<br>(µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) | Avg Period | Note(s)   |
|------------------------------|------------|---|
| 15.06                        | 1-hr       | From SCREEN3 Run modeled at 0.126 g/s emissions rate. |
| 19.88                        | 15-min     | (15.06)*(1.32)  |
| 6.024                        | 24-hr      | (15.06)*(0.40)  |
| 1.205                        | Annual     | (15.06)*(0.08)  |

The Division computed the emissions rate which corresponds to the applicable AAC and the results are summarized in the following tables: Note that the Division utilized the following formula for computing the "Emission Rate for the 15-Min STEL", "Emission Rate for the 24-hour AAC", and "Emission Rate for the Annual AAC":

$$C = (A/B) * (0.126 \text{ g/s})$$

| <b>Table 6A: 15-Min. Average (STEL) Results</b> |  |   |  |                              |                         |   |
|---|--|---|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| TAP   | A<br>15-Min STEL<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | Based on SCREEN 3 MGLC                              |  | Max. Emissions Rate<br>(g/s) |                         | Requires<br>Operation<br>of RTO to<br>Comply? |
|   |  | B<br>15-Min<br>STEL<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | C<br>Emissions Rate<br>for the 15-Min<br>STEL<br>(g/s) | Uncontrolled                 | Controlled <sup>2</sup> |   |
| Isopropyl Alcohol                               | 98,000   | 19.88   | 621.15   | 26.98                        | 21.42                   | No  |
| Propyl Alcohol (n-)                             | 62,500   | 19.88   | 396.14   | 26.98                        | 23.92                   | No  |
| Propyl Acetate (n-)                             | 105,000  | 19.88   | 666.52   | 7.44                         | 5.92                    | No  |
| Acetaldehyde                                    | 4,500  | 19.88   | 28.52  | 0.29                         | 0.029                   | No  |
| MDI   | 20   | 19.88   | 0.127  | 0.29                         | 0.029                   | Yes   |

| <b>Table 6B: 24-Hour Average Results</b> |  |  |  |                              |                         |   |
|--|--|--|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| TAP                                      | A<br>24-hour AAC<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | Based on SCREEN 3 MGLC                       |  | Max. Emissions Rate<br>(g/s) |                         | Requires<br>Operation<br>of RTO to<br>Comply? |
|  |  | B<br>24-hour<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | C<br>Emissions Rate<br>for the 24-hr<br>AAC<br>(g/s) | Uncontrolled                 | Controlled <sup>3</sup> |   |
| Carbon Black                             | 8.30   | 6.024  | 0.174  | 0.23                         | 0.023                   | Yes   |
| Isopropyl Alcohol<br>(Isopropanol)       | 2,330  | 6.024  | 48.79  | 26.98                        | 0.60                    | No  |
| Propyl Alcohol (n-)<br>(Propanol)        | 1,190  | 6.024  | 24.89  | 29.99                        | 2.999                   | Yes   |
| Propyl Acetate (n-)                      | 2,000  | 6.024  | 41.83  | 7.44                         | 0.12                    | No  |
| Titanium Dioxide<br>(Total Dust)         | 35.7   | 6.024  | 0.746  | 2.61                         | 0.261                   | Yes   |

| <b>Table 6C: Annual Average Results</b> |   |   |  |                              |                         |   |
|---|---|---|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| TAP                                     | A<br>Annual AAC<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | Based on SCREEN 3 MGLC                      |  | Max. Emissions Rate<br>(g/s) |                         | Requires<br>Operation<br>of RTO to<br>Comply? |
|   |   | B<br>Annual<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) | C<br>Emissions Rate<br>for the 24-hr<br>AAC<br>(g/s) | Uncontrolled                 | Controlled <sup>4</sup> |   |
| Acetaldehyde                            | 4.55  | 1.205                                       | 0.476  | 0.29                         | 0.029                   | No  |
| MDI                                     | 0.60  | 1.205                                       | 0.0627   | 0.29                         | 0.029                   | Yes   |

The Division concurs with the facility's conclusion that the proposed project will comply with the Guideline.

<sup>2</sup> Assuming 90% VOC DRE and 100% capture efficiency.

<sup>3</sup> Assuming 90% VOC DRE and 100% capture efficiency.

<sup>4</sup> Assuming 90% VOC DRE and 100% capture efficiency.

**Summary & Recommendations**

I recommend the issuance of Permit No. 2759-085-0004-S-03-2 for the construction and operation of a new flexographic press P10. This application also removes press P6 from operation. A public advisory was issued for this application and expired on March 29, 2024, with no comments received. The Mountain District-Cartersville Office will continue to be responsible for compliance at the facility.

**Addendum to Narrative**

The 30-day public review started on month day, year and ended on month day, year. Comments were/were not received by the Division.

//If comments were received, state the commenter, the date the comments were received in the above paragraph. All explanations of any changes should be addressed below.//