

U.S. Department of Labor

Occupational Safety and Health Administration
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Citation and Notification of Penalty

To:
RPS Composites Alabama, Inc.
8375 Zeigler Blvd
Mobile, AL 36601

Inspection Number: 1276234
Inspection Date(s): 11/07/2017 - 12/12/2017
Issuance Date: 02/12/2018

Inspection Site:
8375 Zeigler Blvd
Mobile, AL 36601

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CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

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I certify that the information contained in this document is accurate and that the affected employees and their representatives have been informed of the abatement.

Signature

Date

Typed or Printed Name

Title

NOTE: 29 USC 666(g) whoever knowingly makes any false statements, representation or certification in any application, record, plan or other documents filed or required to be maintained pursuant to the Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.

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Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.22(a)(1): All places of employment, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly and in a sanitary condition.

a) Production Area; On or about November 7, 2017 the employer exposed employees to fire hazards in that employees were allowed to work in areas where combustible dust had accumulated on overhead walls, purlins, duct work, equipment, and other exposed upper surfaces exceeding 1/4 inch in depth.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

03/02/2018
\$8315.00

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Citation 1 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.132(d)(1)(i): The employer did not select and have each affected employee use, the types of personal protective equipment that would protect the affected employee(s) from the hazards identified in the hazard assessment:

a) Pipe Wrapping Area: On or about November 29, 2017 the employer did not require employees that handle hazardous chemicals such as resins containing Styrene and MEKP (Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide) and Acetone to wear chemical resistant gloves or other personal protective equipment.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

03/02/2018
\$9977.00



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The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

Citation 1 Item 3 a Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.134(e)(1): The employer did not provide a medical evaluation to determine the employee's ability to use a respirator before the employee was fit tested or required to use the respirator in the workplace:

a) Facility; On or about November 7, 2017 the employer exposed employees to potential respiratory hazards in that employees were required to wear a tight fitting half face negative pressure respirator without first being medically evaluated to ensure the employees are medically able to wear a negative pressure respirator.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

03/02/2018
\$4989.00

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Citation 1 Item 3 b Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.134(f)(1): The employer did not ensure that employee(s) required to use a tight-fitting facepiece respirator passed the appropriate qualitative fit test (QLFT) or quantitative fit test (QNFT):

a) Facility; On or about November 7, 2017 the employer exposed employees to potential respiratory hazards in that employees were required to wear a tight fitting half face negative pressure respirator without first being fit tested.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

03/02/2018



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Citation 1 Item 4 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.307(c): Equipment, wiring methods, and installations of equipment in hazardous (classified) locations were not intrinsically safe, approved for the hazardous (classified) location, or safe for the hazardous (classified) location:

a) Production Area; On or about November 7, 2017 the employer exposed employees to fire hazards in that employees were allowed to work in areas where combustible dust had accumulated on electrical equipment that was not intrinsically safe, approved for the hazardous (classified) location, or safe for the hazardous (classified) location.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

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Citation 1 Item 5 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.1200(h)(1): Employees were not provided effective information and training on hazardous chemicals in their work area at the time of their initial assignment and whenever a new hazard that the employees had not been previously trained about was introduced into their work area.

a) Facility: On or about November 7, 2017; the employer exposed employees to hazards related to chemicals used on site including but not limited to Acetone and MEKP (Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide) without training employees in the required elements of the hazard communication standard including those element required under the global harmonization revisions to the standard.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

03/02/2018
\$6652.00



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Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Other-than-Serious**

29 CFR 1910.134(c)(2)(i): Respirator users were not provided with the information contained in Appendix D to 29 CFR 1910.134 when the employer determined that any voluntary respirator use was permissible:

a) Facility; On or about November 7, 2017 the employer exposed employees to respiratory hazards in that employees were allowed to wear dust masks without first being provided the information in Appendix D as required by the standard.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
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\$0.00



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INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

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Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number	1276234
Citation 1, Serious	\$38248.00
Citation 2, Other-than-Serious	\$0.00
TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES	\$38248.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is <https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

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If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed

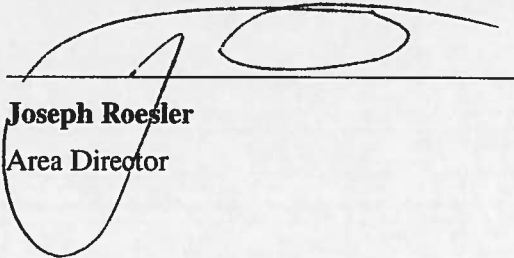
account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to 2 times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Interest: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

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2/12/2018

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Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.144(a)(1)(iii): Emergency stop bars on hazardous machines such as rubber mills, wire blocks, flat work ironers, etc., were not red.

a) Curing Machine, North End: On or about October 30, 2017 and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to amputation and crushed-by hazards, in that in that employees were allowed to operate and perform set-up and maintenance operations on the north end curing machine, while using a control dongle of which the stop bar was not red.

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Citation 1 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(4)(i): Procedures were not developed, documented and utilized for the control of potentially hazardous energy when employees were engaged in activities covered by this section:

a) Pipe winding and Curing areas: On or about October 30, 2017, and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to potentially hazardous energy sources such as electrical, in that machine specific procedures were not developed for, but not limited to, the pipe winder machines and curing machines.

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Citation 1 Item 3 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(7)(i)(A): Each authorized employee had not received training in the recognition of applicable hazardous energy sources, the type and magnitude of the energy available in the workplace, and the methods and means necessary for energy isolation and control:

a) Plant Floor: On or about October 30, 2017 and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to electric shock, amputation, and other hazards, in that employees were allowed to perform set-up, maintenance, and clearing operations on, but not limited to, the Pipe Winder and Curing machines, without first being trained in the methods required to effectively isolate and control energy.

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Citation 1 Item 4 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.147(f)(3)(ii)(D): Each authorized employee did not affix a personal lockout or tagout device to the group lockout device before working on the machine or equipment:

a) Plant Floor: On or about October 30, 2017 and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to electric shock, amputation, and other hazards, in that employees were allowed to perform set-up, maintenance, and clearing operations on, but not limited to, the Pipe Winder and Curing machines, without all employees applying a personal lockout device on the energy control lockout point.

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Citation 1 Item 5 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.212(a)(1): One or more methods of machine guarding was not provided to protect the operator and other employees in the machine area from hazards such as those created by point of operation, ingoing nip points, rotating parts, flying chips and sparks:

- a) Pipe Winder and Curing Stations (North): On or about October 30, 2017, and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to struck-by, caught-on, and amputation hazards, in that the mandrel on the pipe winder and curing machines possessed protruding and spinning bolts that were not guarded.
- b) Curing Station (North): On or about October 30, 2017, and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to caught-on and amputation hazards in that spinning wheels on the curing station were not guarded when the mandrel on the pipe was attached to the machine.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/23/2018
\$9977.00

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Inspection Number: 1273909
Inspection Date(s): 10/30/2017 - 10/30/2017
Issuance Date: 02/12/2018



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: RPS Composites Alabama, Inc.
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Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Other-than-Serious**

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(5)(ii): Lockout/Tagout devices shall be the only devices used for controlling energy, shall not be used for other purposes and meet the requirements of 1910.147(c)(5)(ii) [A] thru 1910.147(c)(5)(ii)[D]

a) Plant Floor: On or about October 30, 2017 and at times prior, the employer exposed employees to electric shock, amputation, and other hazards, in that the locks used for lockout/tagout were used for other purposes, were not standardized, and did not identify the employee who applied the lock.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/23/2018
\$0.00



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See pages 1 through 4 of this Citation and Notification of Penalty for information on employer and employee rights and responsibilities.

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INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name: RPS Composites Alabama, Inc.
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Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number	1273909
Citation 1, Serious	\$36585.00
Citation 2, Other-than-Serious	\$0.00
TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES	\$36585.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is <https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will cash the check or money order as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed

account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to 2 times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Interest: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

Delinquent Charges: A debt is considered delinquent if it has not been paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the penalty due date or if a satisfactory payment arrangement has not been made. If the debt remains delinquent for more than 90 calendar days, a delinquent charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be assessed accruing from the date that the debt became delinquent.

Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.



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Area Director

2/12/2018
Date