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Hazardous Waste Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Chemical Etching Manufacturer Enter into Expedited Settlement Agreement



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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and PMA Industries, Inc. ("PMI") entered into a May 9th Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") addressing alleged violations of the Federal Hazardous Waste Regulations. See Docket No. RCRA-09-2024-0036.

The ESA addresses a chemical etching manufacturing facility located in Phoenix, Arizona.

EPA is stated to have inspected the facility on May 17, 2023. Such inspection is alleged to have identified the following violations to Resource Conservation and Recovery Act regulations and EPA's approved and authorized Arizona Hazardous Waste Management Program requirements:

- Failure to close a hazardous waste container.
- Failure to indicate the hazardous contents on the container.
- Failure to meet the satellite accumulation area requirements.
- Failure to meet the 180-day accumulation time limit.
- Failure to comply with emergency procedures.
- Failure to conduct weekly inspections.

PMI neither admits nor denies the factual or legal allegations contained in the ESA.

A civil penalty of \$7,500.00 is assessed.

A copy of the ESA can be downloaded here.