



Sparks Planning Commission

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Dear Ms. Melby,

Thank you for providing us with the MSDS sheets of the hazardous materials that are planned to be stored at 706 E. Glendale Ave, Sparks. Franke USA Real Estate LLC is the owner of the property located at 685 E. Glendale Ave as well as 690 and 680 Overmyer Road. The property at 685 E. Glendale is currently leased to Protofab Inc. Please find below our comments and concerns with regard to the application. As our company is located in Tennessee, we will unfortunately not be able to personally attend the public hearing.

After reading through the MSDS sheets we conclude that most of these materials are highly toxic and an accidental release could pose a serious threat to our property as well as the employees of Protofab. Hence, we would like to know what Emergency Action Plan is in place to prevent any accidental release and/or react appropriately to an accidental release. Are the storage tanks rated for the type of material stored (e.g. most of the materials are to be stored in a cool place, does outdoor storage during the summer qualify)? Are the tanks protected to prevent them from being hit by traffic? Are there procedures in place for the safe removal and filling of the materials from the tanks?

Of particular concern is also this section from the MSDS sheet for Acetic Acid.

Special: Exposure Hazards Arising from The Substance Itself	Acetic acid vapors are heavier than air and may travel a considerable distance to a source of ignition and flash back. Water diluted acid can react with metals to produce hydrogen gas. Runoff should be collected as it may be corrosive to metal and toxic to aquatic life.
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Protofab, the tenant at 685 E. Glendale Ave, is a metal fabrication workshop. The work includes cutting, grinding and welding of stainless steel and other metals. From the above we conclude that should a tank leak, the acetic acid vapors could travel the relatively short distance to our property, enter the building through an open dock door and ignite. What precautions will be taken to prevent this scenario? Will there be regular checks for leaks?

We strongly feel that allowing the storage of these hazardous materials will have a detrimental effect on the value and safety of our property as well as the safety of our tenant's employees.

We kindly ask that you take the above into consideration when deciding on the application for the outdoor storage of hazardous materials at 706 E. Glendale Ave.

Kind regards,



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