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Nathan Holwege,

On September 18, 2024, DEQ received a request from Evren Northwest, Inc. on behalf of Orchid Orthopedic Solutions Oregon, Inc. (Orchid Orthopedics) for a second, 30-day extension of the deadline for submittal of the Cleaner Air Oregon (CAO) Emissions Inventory (Inventory). Orchid Orthopedics was called into the CAO program on June 27, 2024, and required to submit an Inventory and supporting information by September 23, 2024. Orchid Orthopedics was granted a 30-day extension to their original submittal deadline on August 15, 2024, changing their submittal deadline to October 23, 2024. Orchid Orthopedics is requesting an extension to submit the Inventory and supporting information by no later than November 22, 2024.

DEQ may grant an extension based on the criteria set in [OAR 340-245-0030\(3\)](#), which require sources to demonstrate progress towards completing the submittal and show that a delay is necessary for good cause. Orchid Orthopedics were victims of a “malicious large-scale external computer hacking event” and were therefore subject to significant network outages which prevented personnel from accessing facility data during the first half of September 2024. This issue is now resolved but has resulted in delays in gathering the information needed for the Inventory including product usage and emissions control device data. Orchid Orthopedics has requested additional time to submit the Inventory due to this unforeseeable delay. DEQ understands that Orchid Orthopedics has demonstrated progress on the Inventory by working with a consultant to collect information necessary to estimate toxic air contaminant emissions from sources and activities at the facility and had been on track to complete the Inventory by the October 23rd deadline prior to the hacking event. DEQ agrees that an extension would allow Orchid Orthopedics to make up for time lost due to circumstances beyond their control.

For these reasons, DEQ approves Orchid Orthopedics’s request and grants a 30-day extension from the previous submittal deadline of October 23, 2024. Orchid Orthopedics’s Inventory must be submitted by no later than **November 22, 2024**.

DEQ remains available to meet with Orchid Orthopedics or provide feedback via email. Please contact me directly at (971) 300-3653 or amy.devita-mcbride@deq.oregon.gov, if you have any questions regarding this letter or CAO submittal requirements, and I look forward to your continued assistance with this process.

Sincerely,

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