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The Southwest Clean Air Agency in Vancouver Washington does not provide equipment certifications and does not maintain a certified equipment list for spray guns. The Washington State standard for all new and modified equipment is that the equipment must meet Best Available Control Technology (BACT) criteria at the time of installation and use. This demonstration is made as part of the Air Discharge Permit (ADP) application process, and if determined acceptable by the Agency, is documented in the support document for the ADP. Generally, the standard for paint spray operations at collision repair facilities is the use of high transfer efficiency equipment coupled with low VOC/high solids coatings and full enclosures such as paint booths.

Provided that the Tekna non-HVLP spray gun meets the above requirements at the time of Air Discharge Permitting, it would be approved along with the establishment of operational parameters to ensure proper operation and maintenance of the spray gun.

The detailed report showing that the Tekna non-HVLP spray gun is more transfer efficient than commonly used HVLP spray guns is on file with the Agency.

The Southwest Clean Air Agency recommends that Tekna spray gun users call them at 360-574-3058 and ask what they need to do to be in compliance.

