

Sylvan Products Corporation



DISTRIBUTORS OF LUMBER, BUILDING MATERIALS
and
AUTHENTIC LOG HOMES

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Dear Mr. Jerow:

I finally had a chance to look for the old 55 gallon drums you referred to and upon which the complaint was filed with you. I finally found what you are referring to way back in the brush at least 200 yards from our plant.

I tried to identify them as to whether they were the barrels of varnish and stain I bought maybe 40 years ago, but can honestly say I know nothing about the barrels I found, the beer bottles around them and even a new Pepsi-Cola can.

I honestly believe said barrels were never a part of Sylvan Products Corporation or anything I had anything to do with during my lifetime. They are on Sylvan Products Corp. property, but completely unknown to me as to where they came from or how they got there.

Some 40 years ago I bought a few barrels of stain and/or varnish for use in our industrial mat production, but I'm sure we used all of this material up before we ceased manufacturing "Wood-link" floor mats, which was at least 35 years ago, to the best of my recollection.

Finally, there is a well traveled snowmobile and/or all-terrain vehicle trail across these lands, which is without Sylvan Products Corp. approval or permission. That is no doubt the source of your information and which trespass hereafter will cease, be it to the liking of those using it or not. All of the property in that area is privately owned by either Sylvan Products Corp. or C. M. Christiansen Co. and there is no need for anyone to use it, especially without permission and owing to the fact we have had at least six break-ins of certain buildings in the proximity of said trail over the past 5 years - one as recently as April or May of this year.

I think this is your answer. Find the party that deposited those drums and let them be responsible for the removal thereof.

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The three drums that are upright and at the North end of our warehouse are relatively clean, do not leak and are full of what I consider roofing tar. Those we will salvage and move indoors if that will satisfy your wish.

Sincerely,

SYLVAN PRODUCTS CORPORATION


P. C. Christiansen
Sole Stockholder

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