

Case Study

F.D.A. Safe!

Darrin Hickman of Clean Quik Carpet Service puts the Vapor Shark & Portable Industrial to the Test!

Based in Nashville, TN, Darrin Hickman recently received a call from a town near the Kentucky line. The facility management supervisor was concerned about a large building containing tobacco that was experiencing a "small odor problem." "The whole area is known for tobacco fields," Hickman explained. "To be exact, there was a 100,000 ft² tobacco trading floor that had a trailer office inside. Someone had set the trailer on fire."

Beyond the fire issue, Hickman encountered a much larger hurtle. "While walking into the facility I noticed large amounts of tobacco everywhere. The use of certain procedures would be limited by the F.D.A. Tobacco is treated like a food, so sprays and ozone machines where out."

Hickman's restoration company comes well-equipped to handle an array of situations. He states, "We have many toys—sprays for bonding, pairing, and masking. We have

ULV and thermo foggers, ozone machines, and hydroxyl generators too." Despite these "toys," however, the only

products in his arsenal that were equipped to handle F.D.A. safety regulations were Vaportek's Vapor Shark and Portable Industrial. Vaportek products utilize safe, environmentally preferable essential oil technology, and are well-suited for occupied spaces as they do not adversely affect people, pets, or plants.

Hickman has long been acquainted with Vaportek's products. "I have always loved my Vapor Sharks and Portable Industrials. Out of all of our equipment, the Vapor Sharks and Portable Industrials stay rented the most." Knowing our technology, but wanting to learn about similar odor situations, Hickman contacted Vaportek. "I called Vaportek and they sent me some literature on a similar case in California. Vaportek's products had been used in facilities growing medical marijuana. With this information in hand, I approached the facility management."

When Hickman went to report his finding to the facilities management, he discovered that several other restoration companies had been consulted with. "Other restoration companies were there with outlandish plans on how they could fix the odor issues. I'm happy to say that the customer was thrilled with my plan."

Hickman encountered one last challenge—everything had to be done in one weekend. Recounting his experience, Hickman stated, "The good thing is the answer was simple. I just order seven more systems. After all, I already told you that they are my favorite and stay rented all the time."

Here at Vaportek, we take pride in our ability to help our customers solve their tough odor problems. As we did with Hickman, we want to be *your* air quality partners. ASK what Vaportek products can do for you!

"I have always loved my Vapor Sharks and Portable Industrials."



"Out of all of our equipment, the Vapor Sharks and Portable Industrials stay rented the most."