



## Case Study

### A Cat Hoarding Situation

#### Forrest Derse puts Bio-C and the Vapor Shark to the Test!

Forrest Derse is a contractor who recently bought a home in Wisconsin. The land and architectural build of the home was exactly what he and his wife wanted, but it came with a serious odor issue. The previous owner, an 80 year old woman, was a cat hoarder. The woman had been reported by a neighbor and the hoarding case made it all the way to the local news (see end of article for more information).

CBS reported that “more than 140 cats on the same property” had been found. Many of the cats had to be put down, their health was so bad. With so many cats, and in such poor condition, the smells were horrendous. “The initial smell was so strong, that when you opened the door to the house, you actually tasted it! Because, of that, the house stayed on the market quite awhile,” Derse told Vaportek.



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Derse used the Bio-C concentrate on a number of surfaces. “We used the product on everything from the stone foundation to the fireplace, all the beams and joists, and directly on to the studs.”

The finished product? Derse received positive feedback from those who had visited the home. “I had multiple people comment on the effectiveness of removing the smell. By the end of the project I had zero noticeable smell. My wife and I have lived in the house now for a couple months and, after having our house warming party and asking people to give us their opinion, I am a total believer in the products.”

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



As a contractor, Derse finds that cat urine is “the most difficult smell to remove.” He began his project, therefore, by gutting the farmhouse and removing all the floorboards. Initially, the smells were so bad that “the first week of construction on the house masks needed to be worn.”

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Early on in the project, Derse heard about Vaportek and our line of odor eliminating products. He explains: “I was turned on to Vaportek products through a reference and decided to give them a try.”

Right from the start, Derse saw an improvement in the odors after using Vaportek products. “After running the Vapor Shark and spraying the Bio-C concentrate, it was obvious that they were going to help. I ran the Vapor Shark for the duration of the remodel approximately four months. As I reached different stages, I continued to spray Bio-C when needed; I probably sprayed everything twice.”

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Find news video by searching for CBS58 “Severe Case of Animal Hoarding in Waukesha County.”

