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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Alan Henseler Owner Classic Pool & Patio Center, LLC 23902 US Highway 98 Fairhope, Alabama 36532

> Re: Classic Pool & Patio Center, LLC Ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order Docket No. FIFRA-04-2012-3010(b)

Dear Mr. Henseler:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the above-referenced matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the parties as directed in Section 22.6 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

Please refer to Section V of the CAFO for penalty information and payment requirements. To ensure proper processing, the respondent name and docket number for this case, identified above and in the CAFO, should be noted on any cashier's or certified check submitted in payment of the penalty.

Also enclosed is a copy of a document entitled "Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission any environmental enforcement actions taken by the EPA. Where used in the document "SEC" refers to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Should you have any questions about this matter or your compliance status in the future, please contact Ms. Melba Table of the EPA Region 4 staff at (404) 562-9086.

Sincerely,

Jeaneanne M. Gettle

Chief

Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch

Enclosures

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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a) (FIFRA), and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4. Respondent is Classic Pool & Patio Center, LLC.
- The authority to take action under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a), is vested 2. in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under FIFRA to EPA Region 4 by EPA Delegation 5-14, dated May 11, 1994. The Regional Administrator, Region 4, has redelegated this authority to the Director, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, by EPA Region 4 Delegation 5-14, dated September 7, 2005. Pursuant to that delegation, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has the authority to commence an enforcement action as

- the Complainant in this matter, and has the authority to sign consent agreements memorializing settlements between EPA and Respondents.
- 3. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18 and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

4. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.5(c)(4) the following individual is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Melba Table
Pesticides Section
U.S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960
(404) 562-9086.

- Respondent is Classic Pool and Patio Center, LLC, an Alabama corporation, located at 23902 US Highway 98, Fairhope, AL 36532.
- 6. Respondent is a "person" as defined by Section 2(s) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(s), and as such is subject to FIFRA and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

III. Specific Allegations

7. On or about October 21, 2010, an authorized representative of the EPA conducted an inspection at Respondent's facility located at 23902 US Highway 98, Fairhope, AL 36532.

- During the aforementioned inspection, EPA discovered that the Respondent was distributing or selling Aqua Guard Chlorinating Sanitizer EPA Registration Number 33458-23-75701.
- Aqua Guard Chlorinating Sanitizer is a pesticide as defined in Section 2(u) of FIFRA,
 U.S.C. § 136(u), which includes any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest.
- 10. A pest is defined in Section 2(t) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(t), as any insect, rodent, nematode, fungus, weed, or any other form of terrestrial or aquatic plant or animal life or virus, bacteria, or other micro-organism (except viruses, bacteria, or other microorganisms on or in living man or other living animals) which the Administrator declares to be a pest under Section 25(c)(1) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136w(c)(1).
- 11. Respondent "distributes or sells" pesticides. The term "to distribute or sell" as defined by Section 2(gg) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(gg), includes to distribute, sell, offer for sale, hold for distribution, hold for sale, hold for shipment, ship, deliver for shipment, or release for shipment.
- 12. Pursuant to Section 2(q) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(q), a pesticide is misbranded if its label fails to bear directions for use, a warning or caution statement and the ingredient statement.
- 13. At the time of the inspection Aqua Guard Chlorinating Sanitizer EPA Registration Number 33458-23-75701 was misbranded. The product's label was not identical to the EPA approved label Aqua Chlorinating Sanitizer EPA Registration Number 33458-23.
- 14. Under Section 12(a)(1)(E) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(E), it is unlawful for any person to distribute or sell to any person any pesticide that is misbranded.

- 15. Respondent violated Section 12(a)(1)(E) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(E), on at least three occasions and is therefore subject to the assessment of a civil penalty under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a).
- 16. Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a), in conjunction with the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, authorizes the assessment of a civil penalty.
- 17. Section 14(a)(4) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)(4), requires EPA to consider the appropriateness of the assessed penalty to the size of business of the Respondent, the effect on Respondent's ability to continue in business, and the gravity of the violation.
- 15. After consideration of the factors set forth in Section 14(a)(4) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)(4), the EPA proposes to assess a total civil penalty of SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$6,120) against the Respondent for the above-described violations. Civil penalties under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

IV. Consent Agreement

- 16. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth above and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set forth above.
- 17. Respondent waives its right to a hearing on the allegations contained herein and its right to appeal the proposed Final Order accompanying the Consent Agreement.
- 18. Respondent consents to the assessment of the penalty proposed by EPA and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.
- 19. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of FIFRA.

- 20. Compliance with this CAFO shall resolve the allegations of the violations contained herein. This CAFO shall not otherwise affect any liability of Respondent to the United States. Other than as expressed herein, neither EPA nor Complainant waives any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit, to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment, or to pursue criminal enforcement.
- 21. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO.
 The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this
 CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of FIFRA.

V. Final Order

22. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS (\$6,120). Four payments will be made to complete payment of the entire civil penalty including interest. The first installment is due within 30 days of the effective date of this CAFO. The subsequent three payments shall be due in 90 day intervals thereafter. Including the civil penalty and interest, the total amount that will be paid upon the completion of all payments will be SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FOURTY THREE DOLLARS AND FOURTY ONE CENTS (\$6,143.40).

Respondent shall make payments in accordance with the following schedule:

Payment Number	Payment Due Date	Payment Due
1	within 30 days of filing of CAFO	\$1,535.85
2	within 120 days of filing of CAFO	\$1,535.85
3	within 210 days of filing of CAFO	\$1,535.85
4	within 300 days of filing of CAFO	\$1,535.85

23. Respondent shall remit the penalty by either a cashier's or certified check made payable the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000.

The check shall reference on its face the name of the Respondent and Docket Number of this CAFO.

24. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check and a written statement that the payment is being made in accordance with this CAFO, to the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

Melba Table
Pesticides Section
U.S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960; and

Saundi J. Wilson Office of Environmental Accountability U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

25. If Respondent fails to make one of the installment payments in accordance with the schedule set forth above, and if such payment is not made within 30 days after the due date that payment plus all subsequent payments (the entire unpaid balance) shall become immediately due and payable on the 31st day from such due date. In addition, Respondent

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day filed the original and a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time, <u>In the Matter of: E-Z Cleaners, LLC</u>, Docket No. FIFRA-04-2007-3033, with the Regional Hearing Clerk, and served a true and correct copy of same on the date shown below, to the parties listed, in the manner indicated:

The Honorable Susan L. Biro Chief Administrative Law Judge Office of Administrative Law Judges U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Mail Code 1900L 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460 (Via Pouch Mail to HQ)

Dawn Johnson
U.S. EPA, Region 4
Air, Pesticides, and Toxics
Management Division
61 Forsyth St., SW
Atlanta, GA 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

Elizabeth O'Sullivan U.S. EPA, Region 4 Office of Environmental Accountability 61 Forsyth St., SW Atlanta, GA 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

(Respondent)

(Via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested)

Donna Seeman E-Z Cleaners 698 Bryant Blvd. Rock Hill, SC 29732

Date: 4-19-12

Saundi J. Wilson Patricia Bullock

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303