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Case Docket Number CWA-DF 2017-DOLdo
Site-specific Superfund (SF) Acct. Number
This is an original debt This is a modification
Name and address of Person and/or Company/Municipality making the payment: <u>REF Trucking, Inc</u> <u>55 Hampshire Road</u> <u>Methulen, MA</u>
Total Dollar Amount of Receivable \$ 1, 600 Due Date: 10 11 SEP due? Yes No Date Due
Installment Method (if applicable)
INSTALLMENTS OF:
1 ⁵⁷ \$ On
2 nd \$ on
3 rd \$ on
4 th \$ on
5 th \$ on
For RHC Tracking Purposes:
Copy of Check Received by RHC Notice Sent to Finance
TO BE FILLED OUT BY LOCAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE:
IFMS Accounts Receivable Control Number
If you have any questions call:Phone Number



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Wanda Santiago Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Mail Code ORA18-1 Boston, MA 02109-3912

Re: In the Matter of REF Trucking, Inc.; CWA-01-2017-0066

Dear Ms. Santiago,

Enclosed for filing, please find an Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) settling the matter referenced above.

Pursuant to EPA Order Classification No. 2551.1A, dated June 7, 2006, the Regional Hearing Clerk (RHC) shall send a copy of the ESA in any Clean Water Act (CWA) case assessing a penalty under the authority of Section 311 of the CWA to:

U.S. EPA Cincinnati Finance Center 26 W. Martin Luther King Drive (MS-002) Cincinnati, OH 45268

In addition, the RHC must pass along the name and address of the regional attorney responsible for any collection recommendation if the civil debt becomes delinquent. For this case, the responsible attorney is:

Tonia Bandrowicz Senior Enforcement Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Mail Code OES04-3 Boston, MA 02109-3912 Tel: (617) 918-1734 Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Heather L. Thompson OFS Level Off

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EXPEDITED SPILL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Office of Regional Hearing Clerk

In the matter of REF Trucking, Inc., Docket No. CWA-01-2017-0066

On or around April 11, 2017, REF Trucking, Inc. ("Respondent"), located at 55 Hampshire Road, Methuen, MA, discharged oil, as defined in 40 CFR §110.1, to the Pawtucket Canal, a navigable water of the United States as defined in Section 502(7) of the Act, and 40 CFR § 110.1, and its adjoining shorelines, in violation of Section 311(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act (the "Act"). The spill occurred while a REF Trucking, Inc. tanker truck driver was filling a school bus at the City of Lowell School Bus Parking Lot located at 3 Pevey Street, Lowell, MA. A defective coupling on the gasoline hose that had been fabricated recently by a third party failed during the pumping which was the primary reason for this discharge. The third party accepted responsibility for the malfunctioning of the coupling.

EPA finds that Respondent is subject to the Act and has violated the Act by discharging a harmful quantity of oil, as defined in 40 CFR § 110.3, into navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines. Respondent admits to being subject to the Act and that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as described in this Expedited Settlement. Respondent admits the facts in the first paragraph of this Settlement Agreement, and waives any objections Respondent may have to EPA's jurisdiction.

EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement under the authority vested in EPA by Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and by 40 CFR § 22.13(b). The parties enter into this Expedited Settlement in order to settle the civil violations described in this Expedited Settlement for a penalty of **\$1,600**. Respondent consents to the assessment of this penalty.

This Expedited Settlement also is subject to the following terms and conditions: Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that it has investigated the cause of the spill, has cleaned up the spill pursuant to federal requirements, has taken corrective actions that will prevent future spills, has a training regimen in place to mitigate potential impacts of spills, and has sent a certified check in the amount of **\$1,600**, payable to the Environmental Protection Agency to: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Fines and Penalties, P.O. Box 979077, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000. This check shall reference the docket number of the case and the "Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund – 311." Respondent shall send a copy of the check to Heather Thompson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, 5 Post Office Square Suite 100, Mail Code OES04-4, Boston, MA 02109-3912, and to the Regional Hearing Clerk, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, 5 Post Office Square (ORC-18), Boston, MA 02109-3912.

Upon signing and returning this Expedited Settlement to EPA, Respondent waives the opportunity for a hearing or appeal pursuant to Section 311 of the Act, and consents to EPA's approval of the Expedited Settlement without further notice.

This Expedited Settlement is binding on the parties signing below, and will become effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b).

Once the Expedited Settlement is signed by the Regional Judicial Officer, the original Expedited Settlement will be filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and a copy will be mailed to: U.S. EPA Cincinnati Finance Office, 26 W. Martin Luther King Drive (MS-002), Cincinnati, Ohio 45268. A copy of the Expedited Settlement will also be mailed to the Respondent.

If Respondent does not sign and return this Expedited Settlement as presented within 30 days of the date of its receipt, the proposed Expedited Settlement is withdrawn without prejudice to EPA's ability to file any other enforcement action for the noncompliance identified in this document.

After this Expedited Settlement becomes effective, EPA will take no further civil penalty action against Respondent for the violations of the Act described in this Expedited Settlement. However, EPA does not waive any rights to take any enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by Respondent of the Act or of any other federal statute or regulations.

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Joanna Jerison, Legal Enforcement Manager	
Office of Environmental Stewardship	

APPROVED BY RESPONDENT:

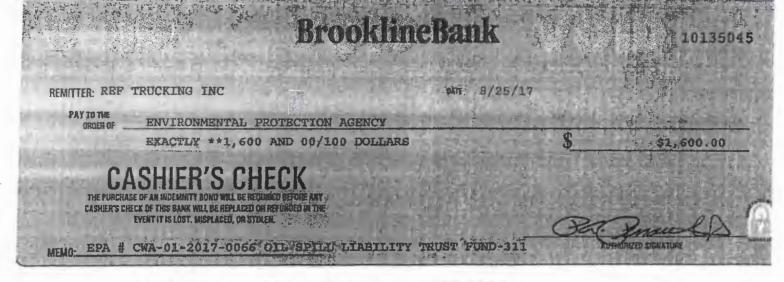
Name (print): Title (print): hegdarf (av) Date: Signature

IT IS SO ORDERED:

LeAnn Jensen

Date:

Acting Regional Judicial Officer



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In the Matter of REF Trucking, Inc. EPA Docket No. CWA-01-2017-0066

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement was transmitted to the following persons, in the manner specified, on the date below:

Original and one copy hand-delivered:

Wanda Santiago Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region I 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912

Copy by certified mail. return receipt requested: Richard A. Nylen, Jr., Esq. Lynch, DeSimone & Nylen, LLP 10 Post Office Square, Suite 970N Boston, MA 02109

John McCarthy, President REF Trucking, Inc. 55 Hampshire Road Methuen, MA 01844

Dated: 9/6/17

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