

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

(AE-17J)

Jim Moberg
Vice-President of Business Administration and Finance
Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc.
610 Railroad Street
P.O. Box 140
Mattoon, Wisconsin 54450

Re:

In the Matter of: Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc.

Docket No. CAA-05-2008-0038

Dear Mr. Moberg:

Enclosed is a file-stamped Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) which resolves In the Matter of Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc., Docket No. <u>CAA-05-2008-0038</u>. As indicated by the filing stamp on its first page, we filed the CAFO with the Regional Hearing Clerk on <u>MAR 2 6 2009</u>.

Pursuant to paragraph 10 of the CAFO. Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc. must pay the civil penalty within 30 days of APR 27 2009 Your [check][electronic funds transfer] must display the case name, Case Docket No. CAA-05-2008-0038, and the Billing Document No. 2750903A015

Please direct any questions regarding this case to Padmavati G. Bending, Associate Regional Counsel, 312-353-8917.

Sincerely yours,

Bonnie Bush

Air Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Section MI/WI

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cc:

Padma Bending

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY 5. ENVIRONMENTAL REGION 5

In the Matter of:)	Docket No. CAA-05-2008-0038
)	
Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc.)	Proceeding to Assess a Civil Penalty
Mattoon, Wisconsin,)	Under Section 113(d) of the Clean Air
)	Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)
Respondent.)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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Consent Agreement and Final Order

- 1. Complainant, the Director of the Air and Radiation Division, United States
 Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, brought this administrative action seeking a civil
 penalty under Section 113(d) of the Clean Air Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d).
- 2. On September 22, 2008, EPA filed the Complaint in this action against Respondent Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc. The Complaint alleges that Respondent violated Section 502(a) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7661a(a), and 40 C.F.R. §70.7 at its facility in Mattoon, Wisconsin.
- 3. Respondent filed an Answer and requested a hearing under Section 113(d)(2) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(2).

Stipulations

- 4. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the Complaint and neither admits nor denies the factual and legal allegations in the Complaint other than those it admitted in its Answer.
- 5. Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations in the Complaint and its right to appeal this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO).
 - 6. Respondent certifies that it is complying fully with 40 C.F.R. §70.7 and the terms

- 7. Respondent consents to the assessment of the civil penalty specified in this CAFO and to the terms of this CAFO.
- 8. The parties agree that settling this action without further litigation, upon the terms in this CAFO, is in the public interest.

Civil Penalty

- 9. In consideration of the factors specified in Section 113(e) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(e), including the facts of this case, the nature of the violations, the cooperation demonstrated by Respondent, Respondent's performance of a Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEP) during the pendency of this action, the economic impact of the penalty on Respondent's business, and other relevant factors, Complainant agrees to mitigate the proposed penalty of \$96,041 to \$5,000.
- 10. Within 30 days after the effective date of this CAFO, Respondent must pay the \$5,000 civil penalty by one of the following options:
 - a. Sending via U.S. Postal Service mail a cashier's or certified check payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

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

The check must note the case name, docket number of this CAFO, and the billing document number.

b. Sending via a carrier that will not deliver to P.O. Boxes (e.g. express carrier) a cashier's or certified check payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

U.S. Bank Government Lockbox 979077 U.S. EPA Fines and Penalties 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2-GL St. Louis, Missouri 63101

The check must note the case name, docket number of this CAFO, and the billing document number.

c. Sending via electronic funds transfer payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York
ABA No. 021030004
Account No. 68010727
33 Liberty Street
New York, New York 10045
Field Tag 4200 of the Fedwire message should read:
"D68010727 Environmental Protection Agency"

In the comment or description field of the electronic funds transfer, state the case name, the docket number of this CAFO, and the billing document number.

11. If paying by check, a transmittal letter stating the Respondent's name, complete address, the case docket number, and the billing document number must accompany the payment. Respondent must send a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Attn: Regional Hearing Clerk, (E-13J)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Attn: Compliance Tracker, (AE-17J)
Air Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch
Air and Radiation Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Padmavati G. Bending, (C-14J)
Office of Regional Counsel
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

- 12. This civil penalty is not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 13. If Respondent does not pay timely the civil penalty, or any stipulated penalties due under Paragraph 29, below, EPA may bring an action to collect any unpaid portion of the penalty with interest, handling charges, nonpayment penalties and the United States' enforcement expenses for the collection action under Section 113(d)(5) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(5). The validity, amount, and appropriateness of the civil penalty are not reviewable in a collection action.
- 14. Pursuant to 31 C.F.R. § 901.9, Respondent must pay the following on any amount overdue under this CAFO. Interest will accrue on any overdue amount from the date payment was due at a rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury. Respondent must pay a \$15 handling charge each month that any portion of the penalty is more than 30 days past due. In addition, Respondent must pay a quarterly nonpayment penalty each quarter during which the assessed penalty is overdue according to Section 113(d)(5) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(5). This nonpayment penalty will be 10 percent of the aggregate amount of the outstanding penalties and nonpayment penalties accrued from the beginning of the quarter.

Supplemental Environmental Project

15. At its Newberry, Michigan facility, Respondent completed installation of a closed loop dust handling system to help eliminate any potential fugitive dust from fine sawdust at this lumber company. This SEP was begun after the parties met to discuss the violations alleged in the Complaint. This project began in July 2008 and was completed in August 2008.

Attn: Compliance Tracker (AE-17J)
Air Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch
Air and Radiation Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

21. In each report that Respondent submits as provided by this CAFO, it must certify that the report is true and complete by including the following statement signed by one of its officers:

I certify that I am familiar with the information in this document and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, it is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I know that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

- 22. Following receipt of the SEP completion report described in Paragraph 19, above, EPA must notify Respondent in writing that:
 - a. It has satisfactorily completed the SEP and the SEP report;
 - b. There are deficiencies in the SEP as completed or in the SEP report and EPA will give Respondent 30 days to correct the deficiencies; or
 - c. It has not satisfactorily completed the SEP or the SEP report and EPA will seek stipulated penalties under Paragraph 24, below.
- 23. If EPA exercises option b, above, Respondent may object in writing to the deficiency notice within 10 days of receiving the notice. The parties will have 30 days from EPA's receipt of Respondent's objection to reach an agreement. If the parties cannot reach an agreement, EPA will give Respondent a written decision on its objection. Respondent will comply with any requirement that EPA imposes in its decision. If Respondent does not complete the SEP as required by EPA's decision, Respondent will pay stipulated penalties to the United States under Paragraph 24, below.
 - 24. If Respondent violates any requirement of this CAFO relating to the SEP,

Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc., Respondent

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Vice-President of Business Administration and Finance

Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc.

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Complainant

Date

Cheryb L. Newton, Director Air and Radiation Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 (A-18J) CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc. CAA-05-2008-0038



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Final Order

This Consent Agreement and Final Order, as agreed to by parties, shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. This Final Order concludes this proceeding pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31. IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Date

Bharat Mathur

Acting Regional Administrator

United States Environmental Protection Agency

Region 5

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Certificate of Service

I certify that I filed the original and one copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order in this matter with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), United States Environmental Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, and that mailed by Certified Mail, Receipt No. [], the second original to Respondent, addressed as follows:

> Jim Moberg Vice-President of Business Administration and Finance Wisconsin Veneer and Plywood, Inc. 610 Railroad Street P.O. Box 140 Mattoon, Wisconsin 54414

and that I mailed a correct copy by first class, United States mail, addressed as follows:

Honorable Judge Biro United States Environmental Protection Agency Office of Administrative Law Judges Mailcode 1900L/Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20460

Bill Yantawood, Supervisor Southeast District Office Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 2300 North Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive P.O. Box 12436 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212

On this 26 day of MARCH, 2009.

Office Automation Clerk

Air Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, MI/WI Section

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