

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: ${
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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>Receipt No.7009 1680 0000 7644 8703</u>

Reverend Floyd E. Rose 1619 N. Lee Str. Valdosta, GA 31602

Rose Real Estate Properties, Inc. Docket No. TSCA -05-2011-0004

Dear Rev. Rose:

I have enclosed a copy of an original fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order in resolution of the above case. This document was filed on January 18, 2012, with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

The civil penalty in the amount of \$100 is to be paid in the manner described in paragraphs 10 thru 11. Please be certain that the number **BD** 2751247X007 and the docket number are written on both the transmittal letter and on the check. Payment is due by February 17, 2012 (within 30 calendar days of the filing date).

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Julie Morris

Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section

Enclosures

cc: Eric Volck, Cincinnati Finance/MWD (w/Encl.)



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

	U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL
Docket No. TSCA-05-2011-	0004 ROTECTION AGENCY
Proceeding to Assess a Civi	l Penalty

Under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances

Control Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)

In the Matter of:

Rose Real Estate Properties, Inc.,

Valdosta, Georgia,

Respondent

)

Consent Agreement and Final Order

Preliminary Statement

- 1. Complainant, the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, brought this administrative action seeking a civil penalty under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a).
- 2. On August 17, 2011, EPA filed an Amended Complaint (Complaint) in this action against Respondent Rose Real Estate, Inc. The Complaint alleges that Respondent violated Section 1018(b)(5) of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5); Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689; and 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1), 745.113(b)(2), 745.113(b)(3), 745.113(b)(4), and 745.113(b)(6), in one contract to lease target housing.
 - 3. Respondent filed an Answer and requested a hearing in this matter.

Stipulations

- 4. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the Complaint and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations in the Complaint.
- 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 the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 and the regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 745.
- 7. Respondent consents to the assessment of the civil penalty stated in this CAFO and to the terms of this CAFO.
- 8. The parties agree that settling this action without further litigation, upon the terms of this CAFO, is in the public interest.

Civil Penalties

- 9. In consideration of Respondent's ability to pay, EPA agrees to mitigate the proposed penalty of \$4,850 to \$100.00.
- 10. Within 30 days after the effective date of this CAFO, Respondent must pay the \$100.00 civil penalty by sending a cashier's or certified check, payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

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

The check must state on it *In re Rose Real Estate Properties, Inc.*, the docket number of this CAFO (TSCA-05-2011-0004), and the billing document number (which is listed on the cover letter to this agreement).

11. A transmittal letter stating Respondent's name, complete address, the case docket number (TSCA-05-2011-0004), and the billing document number (which is listed on the cover letter to this agreement), must accompany the payment. Respondent must send a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J) U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

Christine A. Anderson (LC-8J)
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

John C. Matson (C-14J) Office of Regional Counsel U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

- 12. This civil penalty is not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 13. If Respondent does not pay timely the civil penalty, EPA may refer this matter to the Attorney General who will recover such amount, plus interest, in the appropriate district court of the United States under Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a). 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 amount overdue 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 6 percent per year penalty on any principal amount 90 days past due.

General Provisions

15. This CAFO resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged in the Complaint.

16. This CAFO does not affect the right of EPA or the United States to pursue appropriate injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violation of law.

17. This CAFO does not affect Respondent's responsibility to comply with the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.

18. The terms of this CAFO bind Respondent, and its successors and assigns.

19. Each person signing this agreement certifies that he or she has the authority to sign for the party whom he or she represents and to bind that party to its terms.

20. Each party agrees to bear its own costs and attorney's fees in this action.

21. This CAFO constitutes and entire agreement between the parties.

Rose Real Estate Inc., Respondent

11/30/2011

Floyd R. Rose

President.

Rose Real Estate Inc.

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Complainant

 $\frac{1/3/12}{\text{Date}}$

Margaret M. Guerriero

Director

Land and Chemicals Division

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Final Order

This Consent Agreement and Final Order, as agreed to by the 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.

1-13-12

Date

Susan Hedman

Regional Administrator

United States Environmental Protection Agency

Region 5

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the original and one copy of this Consent Agreement and Final Order in the resolution of the civil administrative action involving Rose Real Estate Properties, Inc., was filed on January 18, 2012, with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, and that a true correct copy was sent by Certified Mail, Receipt No.7009 1680 0000 7644 8703 to:

Reverend Floyd E. Rose 1619 N. Lee Str. Valdosta, GA 31602

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and forwarded intra-Agency copies to:

Marcy Toney, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J John C. Matson, Counsel for Complainant/C-14J Eric Volck, Cincinnati Finance/MWD

Frederick Brown, PTCS (LC-8J)

U.S. EPA - Region 5

77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

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