

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 7672 0045</u>

Mr. James H. Hunter Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC 12247 West Fairview Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226

<u>Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC</u>
<u>Consent Agreement and Final Order</u>

FIFRA-05-2012-0001

Dear Mr. Hunter:

Enclosed please find a copy of a fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order, in resolution of the above case. This document was filed on November 1, 2011 with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

The civil penalty in the amount of \$7,500.00 is to be paid in the manner described in paragraphs 33 and 34. Please be certain that the number **BD** 2751245P001 and the docket number are written on both the transmittal letter and on the check. Payment is due by December 1, 2011 (within 30 calendar days of the filing date).

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Claudia Niess

Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section

Enclosures



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCYU.S. ENVIRONMENTAL REGION 5 PROTECTION AGENCY.

In the Matter of:)	Docket No. FIFRA-05-2012-0001
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Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC)	Proceeding to Assess a Civil Penalty
Milwaukee, Wisconsin)	Under Section 14(a) of the Federal
)	Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide
Respondent.)	Act, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)
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Consent Agreement and Final Order Commencing and Concluding a Proceeding

- 1. This is an administrative action commenced and concluded under Section 14(a) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a), and Sections 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2) and (3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules) as codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22.
- 2. The Complainant is the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 5.
- 3. Respondent is Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC (DSW), a corporation doing business at 12247 West Fairview, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226.
- 4. Where the parties agree to settle one or more causes of action before the filing of a complaint, the administrative action may be commenced and concluded simultaneously by the issuance of a consent agreement and final order (CAFO). 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 5. The parties agree that settling this action without the filing of a complaint or the adjudication of any issue of fact or law is in their interest and in the public interest.

6. Respondent consents to the assessment of the civil penalty specified in this CAFO, and to the terms of this CAFO.

Jurisdiction and Waiver of Right to Hearing

- 7. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in this CAFO and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations in this CAFO.
- 8. Respondent waives its right to request a hearing as provided at 40 C.F.R. § 22.15(c), any right to contest the allegations in this CAFO, and its right to appeal this CAFO.
- 9. Respondent certifies that to the best of its knowledge, it is complying with FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. §§ 136 to 136y.

Statutory and Regulatory Background

- 10. The importation of pesticides into the United States is governed by Section 17(c) and (e) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136o(c) and 136o(e), and the regulations promulgated thereunder by the Secretary of the Treasury in consultation with the Administrator of EPA (the Administrator). These regulations are found at 19 C.F.R. Part 12.
- 11. 19 C.F.R. § 12.112 states, in pertinent part, that "an importer desiring to import pesticides into the United States shall submit to the Administrator a Notice of Arrival of Pesticides or Devices (NOA) (EPA form 3540-1), prior to the arrival of the shipment to the United States." See also Section 17(c) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 1360(c).
- 12. Section 12(a)(1)(F) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(A), states that it is unlawful for any person in any state to distribute or sell to any person any device which is misbranded.
- 13. Section 2(q)(1)(A), 7 U.S.C. § 136(q)(1)(A), states that a pesticide is "misbranded" if its labeling bears any statement, design or graphic representation relative thereto or to its ingredients which is false or misleading in any particular.

- 14. 40 C.F.R. § 152.500(b)(1) states, in pertinent part, a device is subject to the requirements set forth in Section 2(q)(1) and 40 C.F.R. Part 156, with respect to labeling.
- 15. Section 2(gg) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(gg), defines the term "distribute or sell" to mean "to distribute, sell, offer for sale, hold for distribution, hold for sale, hold for shipment, ship, deliver for shipment, release for shipment, or receive and (having so received) deliver or offer to deliver."
- 16. Section 2(t) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(t), defines a "pest" as "any insect, rodent, nematode, fungus, weed, or any other form of terrestrial or aquatic plant or animal life or virus, bacteria, or other microorganism (except viruses, bacteria, or other living 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. § 136 w(c)(1)."
- 17. Section 2(h) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(h), defines a "device" as "any instrument or contrivance (other than a firearm) which is intended for trapping, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest."
- 18. Section 2(s) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(s), defines a "person" as "any individual, partnership, association, corporation, or any organized group of persons whether incorporated or not."
- 19. The Administrator of EPA may assess a civil penalty against any registrant who violates any provision of FIFRA of up to \$7,500 for each offense that occurred after January 12, 2009 pursuant to Section 14(a)(1) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a)(1), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

Factual Allegations and Alleged Violations

20. Respondent is, and was at all times relevant to this CAFO, a corporation and

- therefore, is a "person" as that term is defined at Section 2(s) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(s).
- 21. On or about August 25, 2011, Toll Global Forwarding, located at 1371 North Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale, Illinois 60191, was a broker/agent for Respondent.
- 22. On or about August 25, 2011, Respondent submitted an NOA to EPA for one import shipment of the product "Dynatrap XL" from China.
- 23. Respondent was the importer of record listed on the NOA for the shipment of "Dynatrap XL."
- 24. Respondent, as the importer of record of a pesticide device, and by doing business in the United States, is subject to the requirements of FIFRA and the regulations promulgated there under.
- 25. "Dynatrap XL" is a device, as defined in Section 2(h) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(h).
- 26. The shipment of "Dynatrap XL" that entered into the United States on or about August 25, 2011 at the Chicago, Illinois port of entry bore a label that contained false or misleading statements, concerning, among other things, the efficacy of the product.
- 27. On or about August 25, 2011, Respondent distributed or sold the device "Dynatrap XL" as that term is defined in 2(gg) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(gg).

Specific Allegations

- 28. Complainant incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 27 of this CAFO.
- 29. On or about August 25, 2011, Respondent distributed or sold a misbranded device, "Dynatrap XL," in violation of Section 12(a)(1)(F) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(F).
 - 30. Respondent's violation of Section 12(a)(1)(F) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(F),

subjects Respondent to the assessment of a civil penalty under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a).

Civil Penalty

- 31. Section 14(a)(4) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. §136*l*(4), requires the Administrator to consider the size of the business of the person charged, the effect on the person's ability to continue in business, and the gravity of the violation, when assessing an administrative penalty under FIFRA.
- 32. Based on an evaluation of the facts alleged in this CAFO and the factors in Section 14(a)(4) of FIFRA, Complainant calculated an initial civil penalty against Respondent in the amount of \$7,500. Complainant evaluated the facts and circumstances of this case with specific reference to EPA's Enforcement Response Policy for the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, dated December 2009.
- 33. Within 30 days of the effective date of this CAFO, Respondent must pay a \$7,500 civil penalty for the FIFRA violation. Respondent must pay the penalty by sending a cashier's or certified check, payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

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

34. A transmittal letter stating Respondent's name, complete address, the case title, 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:

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

Claudia Niess (LC-8J)
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
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Deborah Carlson (C-14J)
Office of Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA, Region 5
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- 35. This civil penalty is not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 36. If Respondent does not pay the civil penalty timely, EPA may refer the matter to the Attorney General who will recover such amount by action in the appropriate United States district court under Section 14(a)(5) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)(5). The validity, amount and appropriateness of the civil penalty are not reviewable in a collection action.
- 37. 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

- 38. This CAFO resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations and facts alleged in the CAFO.
 - 39. 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 violations of law.

- 40. This CAFO does not affect Respondent's responsibility to comply with FIFRA and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- 41. This CAFO is a "final order" for purposes of EPA's Enforcement Response Policy for FIFRA.
 - 42. The terms of this CAFO bind Respondent, its successors, and assigns.
- 43. 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.
 - 44. Each party agrees to bear its own costs and attorney fees in this action.
 - 45. This CAFO constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.
- 46. The effective date of this CAFO is the date it is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Chicago, Illinois.

Respondent: Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC

President

Complainant:

Region 5

Date

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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.

Susan Hedman

Regional Administrator

Unites States Environmental Protection Agency

Region 5

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the original signed copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order in the resolution of the civil administrative action involving Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC., was filed on November 1, 2011, with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, 60604, and that I mailed by Certified Mail, Receipt No. 7009 1680 0000 7671 5683, a copy of the original to the Respondent:

Mr. James H. Hunter Dynamic Solutions Worldwide, LLC 12247 West Fairview Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226

and forwarded copies (intra-Agency) to:

Marcy Toney, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J Deborah Carlson, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J Eric Volck, Cincinnati Finance/MWD

Frederick Brown

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