

REGIONAL HEARING CLERK EPA REGION 6

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 6

1201 Elm Street, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75270

In the Matter of	§	
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Logistec Terminals,	§	Docket No. RCRA-06-2025-0918
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Respondent.	§	

## **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER**

- 1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 ("EPA") is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") pursuant to Section 3008 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6928 and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 2. Pursuant to Section 3008(a)(2) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a)(2), EPA has provided notice to the state of Louisiana of this action.
- 3. Logistec Terminals ("Respondent") is the owner or operator of the facility located at 150 Marine St, Bldg 200 C, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601 (the "Facility").
- 4. The EPA alleges that Respondent violated the following requirements of RCRA and the EPA approved and authorized Louisiana hazardous waste management program:
  - a. Failure to Meet the Standards for Small Quantity Handlers of Universal Waste.

A Small Quantity Handler of Universal waste must label Universal waste batteries (*i.e.*, each battery), or a container in which the batteries are contained with any one of the following phrases: "Universal Waste -

Battery(ies)," or "Waste Battery(ies)," or "Used Battery(ies);" 40 CFR 273.14 (a).

The facility failed to label or clearly mark used batteries with any one of the following phrases: "Universal Waste - Battery(ies)," or "Waste Battery(ies)," or "Used Battery(ies);" in violation of 40 CFR 273.14(a).

b. Failure to Meet the Standards for Small Quantity Handlers of Universal Waste.

A small quantity handler of universal waste who accumulates universal waste must be able to demonstrate the length of time that the universal waste has been accumulated from the date it becomes a waste or is received. 40 C.F.R. § 273.15(c).

The facility failed to demonstrate the length of time that the universal waste has been accumulated from the date it became waste in violation of 40 CFR 273.15(c).

- 5. The EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of two thousand, five hundred dollars (\$2,500) is in the public interest.
- 6. Respondent certifies that it will provide payment for the full civil penalty amount within 30 calendar days from the effective date of this Agreement, and that such payment identifies Respondent by name and Docket number RCRA-06-2025-0918, is made by certified or cashier's check made payable to the "United States Treasury", and sent to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979078 St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000 or by alternate payment method described at http://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment.

7. Respondent certifies that the original Agreement and a true and accurate copy of the deposit for payment was submitted to:

U.S. EPA, Region 6
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division (ECDSR)
1201 Elm Street, Suite 500
Dallas, Texas 75270-2102
ATTN: Tripti Thapa
thapa.tripti@epa.gov

- 8. In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (a) admits that Respondent is subject to RCRA and the implementing regulations; (b) admits that the EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein; (c) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; (d) consents to the assessment of this penalty; (e) waives the opportunity for a hearing to contest any issue of fact or law set forth herein; (f) waives its right to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Agreement pursuant to Section 3008(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(b); and (g) consents to electronic service of the filed ESA.
- 9. By signature below, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent: (a) has corrected the alleged violations, as applicable, and has submitted true and accurate documentation of such correction along with this Agreement; (b) will submit payment of the civil penalty as set forth below; and (c) will submit a true and accurate proof of payment of the civil penalty along with this Agreement.
- 10. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter the terms and conditions of this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final

Order and to execute and legally bind Respondent to it. Upon the effective date of this

Agreement, payment of the civil penalty shall constitute full settlement of the civil claims

alleged herein.

- 11. Full payment of the civil penalty shall only resolve Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged herein. EPA reserves its rights to take enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations of RCRA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.
  - 12. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.
- 13. The Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), is effective upon filing.
- 14. This Agreement authorized by the EPA's execution of the Final Order attached hereto constitutes a final order under 40 C.F.R. Part 22.
- 15. The penalty specified herein shall represent civil penalties assessed by EPA and shall not be deductible for purposes of Federal, State, and local taxes.
- 16. The EPA and Respondent agree to the use of electronic signatures for this matter pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.6. The EPA and Respondent further agree to electronic service of this Agreement by email to the following:

To EPA: Murdock.Russell@epa.gov and

Thapa.Tripti@epa.gov

To Respondent: Jswan@Logistec.com

RESPONDENT: Logistec Terminals	
2025/01/08	Marie Andrée Gignère
Date	Signature
	Marie-Andrée Giguère
	Name
	Environmental Program Manager
	Title

COMPLAINANT: U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

January 14, 2025 Date Cheryl & Seager

Digitally signed by CHERYL SEAGER Date: 2025.01.14 08:23:17 -06'00'

Cheryl T. Seager
Director
Enforcement
and Compliance Assurance Division
U.S. EPA, Region 6

## **FINAL ORDER**

Pursuant to Section 3008(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a), and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/
Termination or Suspension of Permits, 40 C.F.R. Part 22, the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement resolving this matter is hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order.

Respondent is ORDERED to comply with all of the terms of the Expedited Settlement Agreement. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), the effective date of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

This Final Order shall resolve only those causes of action alleged in the Expedited Settlement Agreement. Nothing in this Final Order shall be construed to waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondents' (or its officers, agents, servants, employees, successors, or assigns) obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and regulations, including the regulations that were the subject of this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Thomas Rucki		Date	2
Regional Judicial	Officer		

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order was filed with me, the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75270-2102, and that I sent a true and correct copy on this day in the following manner to the addressees:

Copy via Email to Complainant, EPA:

<u>Murdock.Russell@epa.gov</u> and <u>Thapa.Tripti@epa.gov</u>

Copy via Email to Respondent:

Jswan@Logistec.com Logistec Terminals 150 Marine St, Bldg 200 C Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region 6