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EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO: CAA-10-2019-0069
This ESA is issued to: BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.
900 East Benson Boulevard
Anchorage, Alaska

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 (EPA), by its duly delegated official, and by BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. ("Respondent") pursuant to Section 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d), and by 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). On February 13, 2019, EPA obtained the concurrence of the U.S. Department of Justice, pursuant to Section 113(d)(1) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(1), to pursue this administrative enforcement action.

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

EPA has determined that Respondent violated the Risk Management Program (RMP) regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), as noted on the enclosed Risk Management Plan Inspection Findings and Alleged Violations Summary ("Summary"), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

SETTLEMENT

In consideration of the penalty assessment factors set forth in Section 113(e) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(e), and upon consideration of the entire record, the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations described in the enclosed Summary for the total penalty amount of \$2,000.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

Respondent, by signing below, waives any objections that it may have regarding jurisdiction, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained herein and in the Summary, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above.

Respondent waives its rights to contest the allegations contained herein or in the Summary, to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to appeal this ESA. Each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

Respondent also certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent has corrected the violations listed in the enclosed Summary.

Respondent agrees to submit payment in full of the \$2,000 within 30 days of the filing of a fully executed copy of this ESA with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

Payment instructions are included on the enclosed "Payment Instructions," which is hereby incorporated by reference.

This original ESA must be sent by certified mail to:

Javier Morales, 112(r) Enforcement Coordinator
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155, Mail Stop: 20-C04
Seattle, Washington 98101

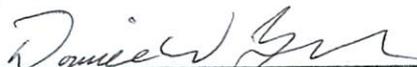
Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, signature by EPA, filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk, and timely payment of the penalty, EPA will take no further civil penalty action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the CAA referenced in the Summary. EPA does not waive its right to any other enforcement action for any other violations of the CAA or any other statute.

If the signed original ESA is not returned to the EPA Region 10 at the above address by Respondent within 45 days of the date of Respondent's receipt of it (90 days if an extension is granted), the proposed ESA is withdrawn, without prejudice to EPA's ability to file an enforcement action for the violations identified herein and in the Summary.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

FOR RESPONDENT:

Signature: 
Name (print): DONNIE W. BROWN JR.
Title (print): VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS
Cost to correct violation(s): \$ 0

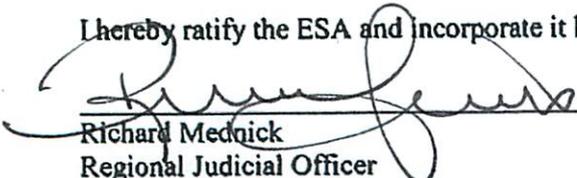
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FOR COMPLAINANT:


Edward J. Kowalski
Director
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

Date: 5/15/2019

I hereby ratify the ESA and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.


Richard Mednick
Regional Judicial Officer

Date: 5/23/19



U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Risk Management Program Inspection Findings and Alleged Violations Summary Region 10

REASON FOR INSPECTION: This inspection is for the purpose of determining compliance with Section 112(r)(7) accidental release prevention requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended 1990. The scope of this inspection may include, but is not limited to: reviewing and obtaining copies of documents and records; interviews and taking of statements; reviewing of chemical storage, handling, processing, and use; taking samples and photographs; and any other inspection activities necessary to determine compliance with the Act.

FACILITY NAME

Central Gas Facility (CGF)

PRIVATE

GOVERNMENTAL/MUNICIPAL

EMPLOYEES: 28

FACILITY LOCATION

Off West Dock Road, Prudhoe Bay, Alaska

INSPECTION START DATE AND TIME: April 2, 2019

MAILING ADDRESS

900 East Benson Blvd., P.O. Box 196612
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

INSPECTION END DATE AND TIME: April 2, 2019

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL, TITLE, PHONE NUMBER

Jeff Michels, CCP Onshore Site Manager, (907) 659-8681

EPA FACILITY ID# 1000 0021 2003

FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE(S), TITLE(S), PHONE NUMBER(S)

Tim Johnson, CGF Onshore Site Manager, (907) 659-8681

INSPECTOR NAME(S), TITLE(S), PHONE NUMBER(S)

Javier Morales, RMP Coordinator, (206) 553-1255

INSPECTOR SIGNATURE

DATE

INSPECTION FINDINGS

IS FACILITY SUBJECT TO RMP REGULATION (40 CFR 68)?

YES NO

DID FACILITY SUBMIT AN RMP AS PROVIDED IN 68.150 TO 68.185?

YES NO

DATE RMP FILED WITH EPA: 9/9/2010

DATE OF LATEST RMP UPDATE: 2/25/2014

1) PROCESS/NAICS CODE: 211111

PROGRAM LEVEL: 1 2 3

REGULATED SUBSTANCE: Propane

MAX. QUANTITY IN PROCESS: 710,000 (lbs.)

DESCRIPTION OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

CAA Section 112(r) and its implementing regulations in 40 C.F.R. Part 68 require an owner or operator of a stationary source that has more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance (listed in § 68.130) in a process, to develop a Risk Management Plan (RMP) and Risk Management Program.

The owner or operator must review and update the RMP as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 68.190(b) as required by § 68.190(a). BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. failed to submit an updated RMP to EPA at least once every five years as required by § 68.190(a) and (b)(1). The first submission of the RMP that EPA has on file is dated September 9, 2010. The latest RMP submission that EPA has on file is dated February 25, 2014. The five-year update was due February 25, 2019.

DID FACILITY CORRECTLY ASSIGN PROGRAM LEVELS TO PROCESSES?

YES NO

ATTACHED CHECKLIST(S):

PROGRAM LEVEL 1 PROCESS CHECKLIST

PROGRAM LEVEL 2 PROCESS CHECKLIST

PROGRAM LEVEL 3 PROCESS CHECKLIST

Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER, In the Matter of: BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc., Docket No.: CAA-10-2019-0069**, was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the addressees in the following manner on the date specified below:

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to:

Javier Morales, RMP Coordinator
1200 Sixth Avenue, 20-C04
Suite 155
Seattle, Washington 98101

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt to:

Donnie W. Brown Jr.
Vice President Operations
BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.
P.O. Box 196612
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

DATED this 28th day of May, 2019



Teresa Young
Regional Hearing Clerk
EPA Region 10