



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 4  
ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER  
61 FORSYTH STREET  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

FEB 24 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Todd Hicks  
Chief Operator  
Donald M. Reed Filter Plant  
523 Belcher Ferry Road  
Bessemer, Alabama 35023

SUBJECT: Expedited Settlement Agreement  
Warrior River Water Authority  
Docket No. CAA-04-2009-8008(b)

Dear Mr. Hicks:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) that resolves the Clean Air Act (CAA) matter (Docket No. CAA-04-2009-8008(b)) involving the Warrior River Water Authority, Bessemer, Alabama. The ESA was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 C.F.R. Part 22 and became effective on today's date.

As required by the ESA, within thirty days of receipt of this letter, a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of \$1200, made out to the "Treasurer, United States of America," should be submitted to one of the following addresses:

For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Fines and Penalties  
Cincinnati Finance Center  
PO Box 979077  
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS)  
U.S. Bank  
1005 Convention Plaza  
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL  
St. Louis, MO 63101  
Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

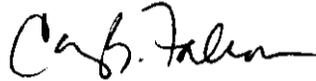
The Docket No. should be included on the check. Also, a separate copy of the check and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this ESA should be sent to the following individuals:

Saundi Wilson  
U. S. EPA Region 4  
Office of Environmental Accountability  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303, and

Victor L. Weeks  
U. S. EPA Region 4  
EPCRA Enforcement Section  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

If you have any questions, please call Victor Weeks at (404) 562-9189.

Sincerely,



Caron B. Falconer  
Chief, EPCRA Enforcement Section

Enclosures

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 4  
EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT  
AGREEMENT

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DOCKET NO: CAA-04-2009-8008(b)

This ESA is issued to:

Warrior River Water Authority  
Donald M. Reed Filter Plant  
523 Belcher Ferry Road  
Bessemer, Alabama 35023

for violating 40 CFR § 68.160, 40 CFR § 68.190 and Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division (Complainant), and by the Warrior River Water Authority (Respondent), pursuant to Section 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d), and pursuant to 40 CFR § 22.13(b).

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the Act's Chemical Accident Prevention Program when Respondent did not provide evidence that its Risk Management Plan (RMPlan) indicates the correct Program level for the covered process as required by 40 CFR § 68.160(b)(7). The current RMPlan identifies the covered process (Process ID 41565) as a Program level 1 process. However, the current RMPlan indicates that there are public receptors within the distance to the toxic endpoint associated with a worst-case release scenario. Thus, the process does not satisfy the Program level 1 criteria.

Also, Respondent failed to review, update and submit an RMPlan on or before its applicable due date as required by the Chemical Accident Prevention Program regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. § 68.190(b)(1) under Section 112(r) of the Act. The Donald M. Reed Filter Plant's RMPlan was due for an updated submission on August 22, 2008. As of January 7, 2009, Respondent had not updated the RMPlan for the Plant.

SETTLEMENT

In consideration of Respondent's size, its full compliance history, its good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations cited above, for the total penalty amount of **\$1200**.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions: the Respondent by signing below admits the jurisdictional allegations contained herein, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained herein, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above; Respondent waives its rights to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to contest the allegations contained in this ESA; and each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the Respondent has corrected the alleged violations listed in this ESA. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of **\$1200**. **Please note that payment should not be made until after Respondent receives a copy of the fully executed ESA.** Within fifteen (15) days after receiving a copy of the fully executed ESA, the Respondent shall send a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of **\$1200**, in payment of the full penalty amount to one of the following addresses:

For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Fines and Penalties  
Cincinnati Finance Center  
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St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS)  
U.S. Bank  
1005 Convention Plaza  
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL  
St. Louis, MO 63101  
Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

**The Respondent's name and the Docket Number of this ESA must be included on the check.** The Docket Number is located at the top left corner of the first page of this ESA.

At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check, and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this ESA to:

Saundi Wilson  
U. S. EPA Region 4  
Office of Environmental Accountability  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303, and

Victor L. Weeks  
U. S. EPA Region 4  
EPCRA Enforcement Section  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Upon Respondent's payment of the penalty, EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the Act referenced in this ESA. EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the Act or any other statute.

Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
(404) 562-8451

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

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

FOR RESPONDENT:

Todd HA Date: 1/21/09

Name (print): TODD HICKS

Title (print): CHIEF OPERATOR  
Warrior River Water Authority

FOR COMPLAINANT:

Beverly H. Banister for Date: 1/11/09

Beverly H. Banister  
Director  
Air, Pesticides & Toxics  
Management Division  
Region 4

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

Susan B. Schub Date: Feb. 24, 2009

Susan B. Schub  
Regional Judicial Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

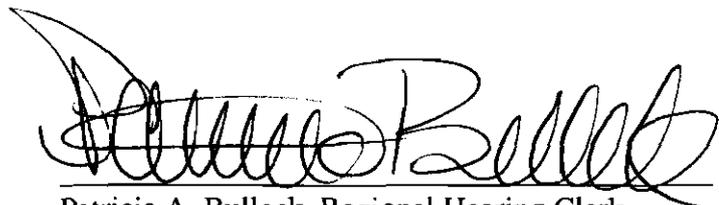
I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement, in the matter of Warrior River Water Authority, CAA-04-2009-8008(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Caron B. Falconer (Via EPA's internal mail)  
U. S. EPA - Region 4  
Air, Pesticides and Toxics  
Management Division  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, GA 30303

Nancy Tommelleo (Via EPA's internal mail)  
U. S. EPA - Region 4  
Office of Environmental Accountability  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, GA 30303

Mr. Todd Hicks (Via Certified Mail -  
Chief Operator Return Receipt Requested)  
Donald M. Reed Filter Plant  
523 Belcher Ferry Road  
Bessemer, Alabama 35023

Date: 2-24-09



Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk  
United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 4  
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center  
61 Forsyth Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
404-562-9511

**EPA ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CONTROL NUMBER FORM**

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ORIGINATING OFFICE:**

(Attach a copy of the final order and transmittal letter to Defendant/Respondent)

This form was originated by: Saundi Wilson on 2/23/09  
(Name) (Date)

in the Region 4, ORC, OEA at (404) 562-9504  
(Office) (Telephone Number)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-SF Judicial Order/Consent Decree<br>USAO COLLECTS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative Order/Consent Agreement<br>FMO COLLECTS PAYMENT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SF Judicial Order/Consent Decree<br>DOJ COLLECTS      | <input type="checkbox"/> Oversight Billing - Cost Package required:<br>Sent with bill              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Receivable                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Not sent with bill  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This is an original debt                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Oversight Billing - Cost Package not required                             |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> This is a modification  |

PAYEE: Warrior River Water Authority  
(Name of person and/or Company/Municipality making the payment)

The Total Dollar Amount of the Receivable: \$ 1200  
(If installments, attach schedule of amounts and respective due dates. See Other side of this form.)

The Case Docket Number: CAA of 2009 8068(6)

The Site Specific Superfund Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The Designated Regional/Headquarters Program Office: \_\_\_\_\_

The IFMS Accounts Receivable Control Number is: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please call: \_\_\_\_\_ of the Financial Management Section at: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISTRIBUTION:**

A. **JUDICIAL ORDERS:** Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the **FINAL JUDICIAL ORDER** should be mailed to:

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| 1. Debt Tracking Officer<br>Environmental Enforcement Section<br>Department of Justice RM 1647<br>P.O. Box 7611, Benjamin Franklin Station<br>Washington, D.C. 20044 | 2. Originating Office (EAD)<br>3. Designated Program Office |
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B. **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS:** Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the Administrative Order should be to:

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| 1. Originating Office<br>2. Regional Hearing Clerk | 3. Designated Program Office<br>4. Regional Counsel (EAD) |
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