

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 2

290 Broadway New York, New York 10007

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Docket Number: CWA-02-2014-3351

Rama Construction, S.E. ("Respondent") is a "person," within the meaning of Section 502(5) of the Clean Water Act ("Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1362(5), and 40 C.F.R. § 122.2.

Attached is an "Expedited Settlement Offer Deficiencies Form" ("Form"), which is incorporated by reference. By its signature, Complainant ("EPA") finds that Respondent is A copy of the check shall be sent to the EPA address above. responsible for the deficiencies specified in the Form.

Respondent "discharged pollutants" from a "point source" into a "water of the United States" without a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit in violation of Sections 301(a) and 402(p) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1342(p).

EPA finds, and Respondent admits, that Respondent is subject to Sections 301(a) and 402(p) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1342(p), and that EPA has jurisdiction over any "person" who "discharges pollutants" from a "point source" to "waters of the United States." Respondent neither admits nor denies the deficiencies specified in the Form.

EPA is authorized to enter into this Consent Agreement and Final Order ("Agreement") under the authority vested in the Administrator of EPA by Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), and by 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). parties enter into this Agreement in order to settle the civil APPROVED BY EPA violation(s) alleged in this Agreement for a penalty of \$9,600.00. Respondent consents to the assessment of this penalty, and waives the right to: (1) contest the finding(s) specified in the Form; (2) a hearing pursuant to Section 309(g)(2) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2); and (3) appeal pursuant to Section 309(g)(8), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(8).

Additionally, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false statement to the United States Government, that any deficiencies identified in the Form have been corrected. Respondent shall submit a written report with this Agreement detailing the specific actions taken to correct the violations cited herein.

Respondent certifies that, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving notice from EPA that the Agreement is effective (thirty (30) days from the date it is signed by the EPA Official), Respondent shall submit a bank, cashiers or certified check, with case name and docket number noted, for the amount specified above payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," via certified mail, to:

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

This Agreement settles EPA's civil penalty claims against Respondent for the Clean Water Act violation(s) specified in this Agreement. EPA does not waive its rights to take any enforcement action against Respondent for any other past. present, or future civil or criminal violation of the Act or of any other federal statute or regulation. EPA does not waive its right to issue a compliance order for any uncorrected deficiencies or violation(s) described in the Form. EPA has determined this Agreement to be appropriate.

This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below and effective thirty (30) calendar days from the date it is signed by the Presiding Officer unless a petition to set aside the Order is filed by a commenter pursuant to Section 309(g)(4)(C) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(C), and 40 C.F.R. Part 22 or upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

José C. Font Director USEPA Region 2, Caribbean Environmental Protection Div. APPROVED BY RESPONDENT: Title (print):

[More than 40 days have elapsed since the issuance of public notice pursuant to Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(A), and EPA has received no comments concerning this matter.]

Having determined that this Agreement is authorized by law, IT IS SO ORDERED: Date: Jule 4, 2014

José C. Font

Director

Signature:

USEPA Region 2, Caribbean Environmental Protection Div.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION II**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Rama Construction, S.E.

RESPONDENT

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

> **DOCKET NUMBER** CWA-02-2014-3351

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day caused to be sent the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order (CA/FO), dated June 4, 2014, and bearing the above-reference docket number, in the following manner to the respective addressees below:

CA/FO sent via Pouch Mail to:

Karen Maples Regional hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 290 Broadway New York, New York 10007

Edwin Marquez Rodríguez

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