UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 1

In the Matter of:)
Howard Gross 466 Central Avenue, Suite 9 Dover, New Hampshire 03820) Docket No. TSCA-01-2019-0050)
Respondent))))

ANSWER

- 1. Respondent Admits that the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 ("EPA"), issued an administrative Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. The content of the cited statutes and regulations in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint speak for themselves.
- 2. Respondent Admits receipt of the Complaint filed and served by EPA. The allegations of EPA as set forth in the Complaint speak for themselves.
 - 3. Admit
 - 4. Admit
 - 5. Admit
 - 6. Admit
 - 7. Admit
- 8. The content of the cited statute and regulation in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint speak for themselves and thus no answer is required.
- 9. The content of the cited statute in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint speak for itself and thus no answer is required.

- 10. The content of the cited statute and regulation in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint speak for themselves and thus no answer is required.
 - 11. Admit
 - 12. Admit
- 13. Admit, except that Respondent denies that he was aware that one of the tenants was an expectant mother.
 - 14. The allegations of paragraph 14 contain legal conclusions to which no answer is required.
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- 16. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in paragraph 16 of the Complaint.
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- 18. Respondent admits that EPA came to his Dover, New Hampshire office on March 1, 2019.
 - 19. Admit
- 20. Respondent repeats and realleges the Answers to paragraphs 1 through 18 of the Complaint.
 - 21. Admit
- 22. Respondent admits that he did not provide a pamphlet to the lessees identified in the Complaint before they entered a lease for the property.
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- 24. Respondent states that the allegations of paragraph 24 contain a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.
- 25. Respondent repeats and realleges the Answers to paragraphs 1 through 24 of the Complaint.
 - 26. Admit

27. Deny
28. Respondent repeats and realleges the Answers to paragraphs 1 through 27 of the Complaint.
29. Admit
30. Deny
31. Deny
32. Respondent repeats and realleges the Answers to paragraphs 1 through 31 of the Complaint.
33. Admit
34. Deny
35. Deny
36. Deny
37. Deny
38. Deny
39. Deny
40. Deny
41. Deny
42. The content of the cited regulations in Paragraph 42 of the Complaint speak for themselves and thus no answer is required.
43. Admit
44. The content of the cited statutes and regulations in Paragraph 42 of the Complaint speak for themselves and thus no answer is required.
45. Admit

46. Admit

Respondent requests a hearing in this matter.

Dated: July 30, 2020

Respectfully Submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on July 30, 2020, the foregoing Answer was delivered via email to the following addressees:

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