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Mr. David Solana Roger Wood Foods, Inc. 7 Alfred Street Savannah, Georgia 31402

SUBJECT: Roger Wood Foods, Inc.

Consent Agreement and Final Order Docket No. EPCRA-04-2011-2033(b)

Dear Mr. Solana:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) that resolves the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) matter (Docket No. EPCRA-04-2011-2033(b)) involving Roger Wood Foods, Inc. The CAFO was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 C.F.R. Part 22 and became effective on the date of the filing.

Also enclosed, please find a copy of the "Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) any environmental enforcement actions taken by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). If you have any questions with regards to the SEC's environmental disclosure requirements, you may refer to the contact phone number at the bottom of the SEC Notice.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Deanne Grant at (404) 562-9291.

Sincerely

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EPCRA Enforcement Section

Enclosures

IN THE MATTER OF: Roger Wood Foods Inc. Docket Number: EPCRA-04-2011-2033(b) Respondent.

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 109 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9609 and Section 325 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 11045 and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, Region 4, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Respondent is Roger Wood Foods Inc.
- 2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b) and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.18(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

- 3. The authority to take action under Section 109 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9609 and Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045, is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under CERCLA and under EPCRA to the Regional Administrators by EPA Delegations 14-31 and 22-3-A, both dated May 11, 1994. The Regional Administrator, Region 4, has redelegated to the Director, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, the authority under CERCLA by EPA Region 4 Delegation 14-31 dated March 8, 1999, and updated August 6, 2004, and the authority under EPCRA by EPA Region 4 Delegation 22-3-A, dated November 8, 1994. Pursuant to these delegations, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has the authority to commence an enforcement action as the Complainant in this matter.
- 4. Respondent, Roger Wood Foods Inc., is a corporation doing business in the State of Georgia.

- 5. Respondent is a "person" as defined in Section 329(7) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(7) and Section 101(21) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(21).
- 6. Respondent has a "facility" as that term is defined by Section 101(9) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(9) and by Section 329(4) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(4).
 - 7. Respondent's facility is located at 7 Alfred Street, Savannah, Georgia 31402.
- 8. Respondent is an "owner or operator" of the facility as that term is defined by Section 101 (20)(A) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(20)(A).

III. EPA's Allegations of Violations

Violation of Section 103(a) of CERCLA

- 9. Section 102(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9602(a), required the Administrator of EPA to publish a list of substances designated as hazardous substances which, when released into the environment, may present substantial danger to public health or welfare or the environment and to promulgate regulations establishing the quantity of any hazardous substance the release of which was required to be reported under Section 103(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603(a). EPA has published and amended such a list, including the corresponding reportable quantities (RQ) for those substances. This list, which is codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 302, was initially published on April 4, 1985 (50 Fed. Reg. 13474) and is periodically amended.
- 10. Section 103(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603(a), and the regulations found at 40 C.F.R. § 302.6, require a person in charge of a facility or vessel to immediately notify the National Response Center (NRC), as soon as he or she has knowledge of a release of a hazardous substance from such facility or vessel in an amount equal to, or greater than the RQ.
- 11. Respondent was in charge of the facility during the relevant period described below.
- 12. Ammonia is a "hazardous substance" as that term is defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14), with an RQ of 100 pounds, as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 302.4.
- 13. On June 21, 2010, Respondent had a release of ammonia above the RQ at the facility.
- 14. Respondent violated the notification requirements of Section 103(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603(a), by failing to immediately notify the NRC as soon as Respondent had knowledge of the release of ammonia in an amount equal to or greater than its RQ at Respondent's facility and is therefore subject to the assessment of penalties under Section 109 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9609.

15. Pursuant to Section 109 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9609, and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, EPA may assess a penalty not to exceed \$37,500 for each violation of Section 103(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603(a), that occurred after January 12, 2009. Each day a violation of Section 103 continues constitutes a separate violation. Civil penalties under Section 109 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9609, may be assessed by Administrative Order.

Violations of Section 304(a) of EPCRA

- 16. Section 304(a) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. §11004(a) and the regulations found at 40 C.F.R. § 355, Subpart C, require the owner or operator of a facility at which hazardous chemicals are produced, used or stored, to immediately notify the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) and Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) when there has been a release of a CERCLA hazardous substance or an EPCRA extremely hazardous substance in an amount equal to or greater than the RQ.
- 17. Respondent was the owner or operator of the facility during the relevant period, described below.
- 18. At all times relevant to this matter, the facility produced, used, or stored a "hazardous chemical" as defined under Section 311(e) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11021(e) and under 29 C.F.R. § 1910.1200(c).
- 19. Ammonia is an "extremely hazardous substance" as that term is defined by Section 329(3) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(3), with an RQ of 100 pounds, as specified in 40 C.F.R. Part 355, Apps. A & B.
- 20. On June 21, 2010, Respondent had a release of ammonia above the RQ at the facility.
- 21. Respondent violated the notification requirements of Section 304(a) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. §11004(a) by failing to immediately notify the SERC and LEPC as soon as Respondent had knowledge of the release of ammonia in an amount equal to or greater than the RQ at Respondent's facility, and is therefore subject to the assessment of penalties under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. §11045.

Violations of Section 304(c) of EPCRA

- 22. Section 304(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. §11004(c) and the regulations found at 40 C.F.R. § 355, Subpart C, require the owner or operator of a facility at which hazardous chemicals are produced, used or stored, to provide a written follow-up emergency notice to the SERC and LEPC when there has been a release of a CERCLA hazardous substance or an EPCRA extremely hazardous substance in an amount equal to or greater than the RQ.
- 23. Respondent was the owner or operator of the facility during the relevant period, described below.

- 24. At all times relevant to this matter, the facility produced, used, or stored "hazardous chemicals" as defined under Section 311(e) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11021(e) and under 29 C.F.R. § 1910.1200(c).
- 25. Ammonia is an "extremely hazardous substance" as that term is defined by Section 329(3) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(3), with an RQ of 100 pounds, as specified in 40 C.F.R. Part 355, Apps. A & B.
- 26. On June 21, 2010, Respondent had a release of ammonia above the RQ at the facility.
- 27. Respondent violated the notification requirements of Section 304(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11004(c), by failing to provide a written follow-up emergency notice to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) when there had been a release of ammonia in an amount equal to or greater than the RQ at Respondent's facility, and is therefore subject to the assessment of penalties under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. §11045.
- 28. Pursuant to Section 325(b) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(b), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, EPA may assess a penalty of not more than \$37,500 for each violation of Section 304(a) and (c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11004(a) that occurred after January 12, 2009. Civil penalties under Section 325(b) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(b), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

Violations of Section 312 of EPCRA

- 29. Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, and the regulations found at 40 C.F.R. Part 370, provide that the owner or operator of a facility that is required to prepare or have available a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for hazardous chemicals under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) and regulations promulgated under that Act, shall submit to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), and the fire department with jurisdiction over the facility, by March 1, 1988, and on or before March 1 annually thereafter, a completed emergency and hazardous chemical inventory form (Tier I or Tier II) as described in 40 C.F.R. Part 370, containing the information required by that part for hazardous chemicals present at the facility at any one time in the calendar year in amounts equal to or greater than 10,000 pounds and containing the information required by that part for extremely hazardous substances (EHS) present at the facility at any one time in amounts equal to or greater than the threshold planning quantity (TPQ) or 500 pounds, whichever is less.
- 30. At some time during the calendar year of 2009, ammonia was present at the facility in an amount equal to or greater than 500 pounds.
- 31. Ammonia is an "extremely hazardous chemical" as defined under Section 329(3) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(3), for which Respondent is required to prepare or have available an MSDS under OSHA at its facility.

- 32. Respondent failed to submit a completed Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Form for ammonia to the SERC, the LEPC, and fire department with jurisdiction over the facility for calendar year 2009 by March 1 of the year following the calendar year for which the report was required.
- 33. Respondent violated the reporting requirements of Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, at its facility for calendar year 2009, and is therefore subject to the assessment of penalties under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045.
- 34. Pursuant to Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, EPA may assess a penalty of not more than \$37,500 for each violation of Section 312 that occurred on or after January 12, 2009. Each day a violation of Section 312 continues constitutes a separate violation. Civil penalties under Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

IV. Consent Agreement

- 35. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set out above but neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set out above.
- 36. Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying the Consent Agreement.
- 37. Respondent consents to the assessment of and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.
- 38. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of CERCLA and EPCRA.
- 39. Compliance with the CAFO shall resolve the allegations of violations contained herein. This CAFO shall not otherwise affect any liability of Respondent to the United States other than as expressed herein. Neither EPA nor Complainant waives any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit, to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment, or to pursue criminal enforcement.
- 40. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of CERCLA and EPCRA.

V. Final Order

41. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$5,800 plus \$16.10 interest) for the CERCLA violation which shall be paid in six (6) consecutive monthly payments with the first payment of \$969.35 to be paid within 30 days of ratification of this CAFO:

1 st payment due 30 days	\$969.35
2 nd payment due 60 days	\$969.35
3 rd payment due 90 days	\$969.35
4th payment due 120 days	\$969.35
5th payment due 150 days	\$969.35
6 th payment due 180 days	\$969.35

42. Respondent shall pay the CERCLA civil penalty by forwarding a cashier's or certified check, payable to "EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund" to one of the following addresses:

BY MAIL	BY OVERNIGHT
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	U.S. Bank
Superfund Payments	Attention: Natalie Pearson (314) 418-4087
Cincinnati Finance Center	1005 Convention Plaza
P.O. Box 979076	Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000	St. Louis, Missouri 63101

The check shall reference on its face the name and the Docket Number of the CAFO.

43. Respondent shall pay an EPCRA civil penalty of FIFTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$56,200 plus \$164.84 interest) for the EPCRA violations which shall be paid in six (6) consecutive monthly payments with the first payment of \$9,394.14 to be paid within 30 days of ratification of this CAFO:

1st payment due 30 days	\$9,394.14
2 nd payment due 60 days	\$9,394.14
3 rd payment due 90 days	\$9,394.14
4th payment due 120 days	\$9,394.14
5 th payment due 150 days	\$9,394.14
6 th payment duc 180 days	\$9,394.14

44. Respondent shall pay the EPCRA penalty by forwarding a cashier's or certified check payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," to one of the following addresses:

BY MAIL	BY OVERNIGHT
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	U.S. Bank
Fines and Penalties	Attention: Natalie Pearson (314) 418-4087
Cincinnati Finance Center	1005 Convention Plaza
P.O. Box 979077	Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000	St. Louis, Missouri 63101

The check shall reference on its face the name and the Docket Number of the CAFO.

45. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of each check, and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this CAFO, to the following

persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Deanne D. Grant U.S.EPA, Region 4 Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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

- 46. For the purposes of state and federal income taxes, Respondent shall not be entitled, and agrees not to attempt, to claim a deduction for any civil penalty payment made pursuant to this CAFO. Any attempt by Respondent to deduct any such payments shall constitute a violation of this CAFO.
- 47. If Respondent fails to make one of the installment payments in accordance with the schedule set forth above, and if such payment is not made within 30 days after the due date, that payment plus all subsequent payments (the entire unpaid balance) and all accrued interest shall become immediately due and payable on the 31st day from such due date. In addition, Respondent shall be liable for and shall pay administrative handling charges and late payment penalty charges as described below in the event of any such failure or default.
- 48. Further, if Respondent fails to pay the installment payments in accordance with the schedule set forth above, EPA may refer the debt to a collection agency, a credit reporting agency, or to the Department of Justice for filing of a collection action in the appropriate United States District Court. In any such collection action, the validity, amount, and appropriateness of the assessed penalty and of this CAFO shall not be subject to review.
- 49. Notwithstanding Respondent's agreement to pay the assessed civil penalty in accordance with the installment schedule set forth above, Respondent may pay the entire civil penalty of \$5,800 for the CERCLA violations and \$56,200 for the EPCRA violations within thirty (30) calendar days after the date on which a copy of this CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to Respondent and, thereby, avoid the payment of interest pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a). In addition, Respondent may, at any time after commencement of payments under the installment schedule, elect to pay the entire principal balance remaining, together with interest accrued up to the date of such full payment.

- 50. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717 and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11, EPA is entitled to assess interest and penalties on debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the cost of processing and handling a delinquent claim. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a), interest on any civil penalty assessed in a CAFO begins to accrue on the date that a copy of the CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to the Respondent. However, EPA will not seek to recover interest on any amount of such civil penalty that is paid within thirty (30) calendar days after the date on which such interest begins to accrue. Interest will be assessed at the rate of the United States Treasury tax and loan rate in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a). A charge will also be assessed to cover the administrative costs, both direct and indirect, of overdue debts. In addition, a late payment penalty charge shall be applied on any principal amount not paid within 90 days of the due date.
- 51. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
 - 52. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
- 53. The following individual is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Caron B. Falconer U.S. EPA, Region 4 Air, Pesticides & Toxic Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-8451

54. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally bind that party to it.

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VI. Effective Date

55. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date on which the CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

Roger	Wood Foods Inc.	7
Ву:	Jane W. John	Date: 1/28/2011
Name:	DAVIA W. SSLA	(Typed or Printed)
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U.S. E By:	nvironmental Protection Agence Beverly H. Banister, Director Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division Region 4	Bor Date: 1/25/11

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 Consent Agreement and Final Order, in the Matter of Roger Wood Foods Inc., Docket No.

EPCRA-04-2011-2033(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 & Toxics Management Division
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

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

David Solana Roger Wood Foods Inc. 7 Alfred Street Savannah, GA 31402 (Via Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested)

Date: 3-1-11

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303

(404) 562-9511

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