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IN THE MATTER OF: ) Docket No.  
Genesis Solar, LLC ) RCRA-09-2026-0027  
11995 Wiley's Well Road )  
Blythe, CA 92225 )  
EPA ID. No. CAR000256396 )  
 ) EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT  
 ) AGREEMENT AND  
Respondent. ) FINAL ORDER  
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**EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") pursuant to Section 3008 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
2. By copy of this letter, EPA is providing the State of California with notice of the referenced violations of Subtitle C of RCRA as required by Section 3008(a)(2).
3. Genesis Solar, LLC ("Respondent") is the owner or operator of the facility at 11995 Wiley's Well Road, Blythe, CA ("Facility"). Based on available information, including an inspection dated May 14, 2025, the EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the following requirements of the RCRA and EPA approved and authorized California hazardous waste management programs:
  - a) Failure of a generator to manifest waste as a single generation site; specifically, "Hazardous waste facility," "hazardous waste management facility," "HW facility," or "facility" means: (a) all contiguous land and structures, other appurtenances, and improvements on the land used for the treatment, transfer, storage, resource recovery, disposal or recycling of hazardous waste. A hazardous waste facility may consist of one or more treatment, transfer, storage, resource recovery, disposal or recycling operational units or combinations of these units. "Individual generation site" means the contiguous site at or on which one or more hazardous wastes are generated in violation of Title 22 CCR § 662260.10 [40 CFR § 260.10].
  - b) Failure to meet the conditions for exemption for a large quantity generator; specifically, failure to label and mark its containers with an indication of the

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hazards, the date upon which each period of accumulation begins, the name and address of the person generating the waste, and the composition and physical state of the wastes in violation of Title 22 CCR § 66262.17(a)(5)(A)2-6 [40 CFR § 262.17(a)(5)(i)(B-C)].

- c) Failure to submit an Exception Report to the Department when the generator has not received a signed copy of the manifest from the designated facility within 45 days of the date the waste was accepted by the initial transporter. Failure to submit an Exception Report to the Department if the generator has not received a copy of the signed manifest within 60 days of the date the waste was accepted by the initial transporter in violation of Title 22 CCR § 66262.42(a-b) [40 CFR § 262.42 (a-b)].
- d) Failure to develop a quick reference guide for local emergency responders in July 2024 in violation of Title 22 CCR § 66262.262(b) and (c) [40 CFR § 262.262(b)].
- e) Failure to label universal waste containers as required; specifically failure of a universal waste handler to label containers as follows: (a) Batteries (i.e., each battery), or a container in which the batteries are contained, shall be labeled or marked clearly with the following phrase: "Universal Waste--Battery(ies)" in violation of Title 22 of the CCR § 66273.34 [40 CFR § 273.34(a)].
- f) Failure of document universal waste storage time; specifically, failure of a universal waste handler to be able to demonstrate the length of time that the universal waste has been accumulated from the date it became a waste or was received in violation of Title 22 of the CCR § 66273.35(b).
- g) Failure to retain on-site a copy of all notices, certifications, waste analysis data, and other documentation produced pursuant to this section for at least three years from the date that the waste that is the subject of such documentation was last sent to on-site or off-site treatment, storage, or disposal in violation Title 22 of the CCR § 66268.7(a)(8) [40 CFR §268.7(a)(8)].
- h) Failure to keep records of any test results, waste analyses, or other determinations made in accordance with section 66262.11 for at least three years from the date that the waste was last sent to on-site or off-site treatment, storage, or disposal in violation Title 22 of the CCR § 66262.40 [40 CFR §262.40].

4. EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for civil penalties of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500.00) is in the public interest.

5. In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (1) admits that Respondent is subject to RCRA and its implementing regulations; (2) admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein, (3) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; (4) consents to the assessment of this

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penalty; (5) waives the opportunity for a hearing to contest any issues of fact or law set forth herein; (6) waives its right to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Agreement pursuant to Section 3008(b) of RCRA; and (7) consents to electronic service of the files ESA. By signing this consent agreement, Respondent waives any rights or defenses that Respondent has or may have for this matter to be resolved in federal court, including but not limited to any right to a jury trial, and waives any right to challenge the lawfulness of the final order accompanying the consent agreement.

6. By its signature below Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that: the alleged violations have been corrected; Respondent has submitted true and accurate documentation of such correction; and, Respondent has submitted proof of payment of the civil penalty.
7. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order and to execute and legally bind Respondent to it.
8. EPA reserves all its rights to take an enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by Respondent of RCRA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.
9. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.
10. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), is effective upon filing.
11. No portion of the civil penalty or interest paid by Respondent pursuant to the requirements of this CAFO shall be claimed by Respondent as a deduction for federal, states or local income tax purposes.
12. Entry of the Final Order shall constitute full settlement of the civil claims alleged herein.

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IT IS SO AGREED,

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Name (print):

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VP Solar Energy Storage and High Voltage

Title (print):

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Signature

Date: 12/19/2025

APPROVED BY EPA:

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Amy C. Miller-Bowen, Division Director  
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**FINAL ORDER**

Respondent has paid the penalty and provided proof of payment as set forth herein. This Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order shall be entered.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

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Beatrice Wong  
Regional Judicial Officer  
U.S. EPA Region IX

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order in the matter of Genesis Solar, LLC (Docket No. RCRA-09-2026-0027) was filed by the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, and that a true and correct copy of the same was served on the parties, via electronic mail, as indicated below:

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