



REGION 3

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William C. Itle
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Through: carissa@valewoodfarms.com

Re: Administrative Order on Consent – Docket No. CWA-03-2024-0004DN

Dear Mr. Itle:

Attached is the executed Administrative Order for Compliance on Consent (“AOC”) concerning violations of the Clean Water Act (“CWA”), as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1251, *et seq.* The United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Region 3 is issuing this AOC to Vale Wood Farms under the authority of Section 309(a) of the Clean Water Act (“CWA” or “Act”), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(a), for violations at Vale Wood Farm’s facility at 517 Vale Wood Road, Loretto, PA 15940. The AOC requires Vale Wood Farms to submit certain documents to EPA and implement certain activities in order to meet the requirements of the Vale Wood Farm’s National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Permit No. PA0009466, which was effective August 1, 2012, with an expiration date of October 31, 2017, and which was administratively extended thereafter.

The AOC requires Vale Wood Farms to perform several tasks to return to compliance. These are listed in Section V. Compliance Order on Page 11 of the AOC.

Please note that the effective date of this AOC is today, the date of your receipt of this document. Under the AOC, Vale Wood Farms must also submit quarterly progress reports to EPA, beginning on the first quarter after the Effective Date (i.e. starting the 1st of the month, three months after the effective date) and for a total period of two years, in accordance with Paragraph 43 of the AOC.

If you have any questions regarding the AOC, please contact Mike Greenwald of the NPDES Enforcement Section at (215) 814-2398 or greenwald.michael@epa.gov, or contact Louis Ramalho, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (215) 814-2681 or ramalho.louis@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Karen Melvin
Director
Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division

Enclosure

1. Administrative Order on Consent – Docket No. CWA-03-2024-0004DN

cc: Mike Greenwald, EPA (greenwald.michael@epa.gov)
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