

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Region 9 - 75 Hawthorne St San Francisco, CA 94105 EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT Docket Number: CWA-09-2021-0003, NPDES No. ["Unpermitted"] U.S. EPA - REGION IX

FILED

Don Chapin Company ("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.

By its signature, Complainant ("EPA") finds that Respondent is responsible for unauthorized discharge(s) of stormwater in violation of Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311.

EPA finds, and Respondent admits, that Respondent is subject to Section 301 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311, 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 specific days of unauthorized industrial stormwater discharges that EPA alleges. Attached is an "Industrial Non-filer Expedited Settlement Worksheet" ("Settlement Worksheet"), which is incorporated by reference. The Settlement Worksheet summarizes the allegations and calculates a proposed penalty of \$10,000 based on conditions at the Respondent's referenced facility at the time of EPA's inspection.

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). The parties enter into this Agreement to settle the civil violation(s) alleged in this Agreement for a penalty of \$10,000. Respondent consents to the assessment of this penalty and waives the right to: (1) contest the finding(s) specified in the Worksheet; (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 the Respondent has addressed the alleged violations identified in the Settlement Worksheet by either a) developing and implementing a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and submitting to the permit authority a Notice of Intent to be covered by the applicable industrial stormwater permit; or b) acting to meet eligibility requirements for a waiver from industrial stormwater permit requirements as allowed by the permit authority and submitting the relevant forms (such as the No Exposure Certification form), to the permit authority.

Respondent certifies that, within ten (10) days after issuance of the Final Order, Respondent will submit a bank, cashiers, or certified check, payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," via certified mail, to:

U.S. EPA, Region 9 Fines and Penalties, Cincinnati Finance Center In the Matter of: Don Chapin Company Docket No.: CWA-09-2021-0003

P.O. Box 979077

St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

This Agreement settles EPA's civil penalty claims against Respondent for the alleged 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 alleged 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 upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

APPROVED BY EPA: ELIZABETH BERG BERG

Digitally signed by ELIZABETH

Date: 2020.10.09 13:37:46 -07'00'

Elizabeth Berg, Assistant Director, Water Branch Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

APPROVED BY RESPONDENT:

Name

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EPA received no public comments concerning this matter in response to issuance of a 30-day public notice of this matter made pursuant to Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(A), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.45.

Having determined that this Agreement is authorized by law, IT IS SO ORDERED:

Steven L. Jawgiel Digitally signed by Steven L. Jawgiel Date: 2020.12.16 15:26:23 -08'00'

Steven L Jawgiel

Regional Judicial Officer, U.S. EPA Region IX

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The following document does hereby certify that the EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT in the matter of DON CHAPIN COMPANY (**CWA-09-2021-0003**) has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, and a copy was served on both Respondent and Counsel for EPA by email, as indicated below:

RESPONDENT

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COMPLAINANT

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Date:	Steven Armsey Regional Hearing Clerk EPA Region 9