

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGES REGION 2

2890 WOODBRIDGE AVE, MS-211, EDISON, N. 0883 7-3679 EXPEDITED SPCC SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO.: CWA-02-2014-3802

On: October 25, 2013

At: VI WAPA Estate Richmond Generating Station Estate Richmond, Christiansted, St. Croix USVI 00821

Owned or Operated by: Virgin Islands Water & Power Authority (Respondent)

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conducted an inspection to determine compliance with the Oil Pollution Prevention (SPCC) regulations promulgated at 40 CFR Part 112 under Section 311(j) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(j), (the Act), and found that Respondent had failed to comply with the SPCC regulations as noted on the attached SPCC INSPECTION FINDINGS, ALLEGED VIOLATIONS AND PROPOSED PENALTY FORM (SPCC Form), which is hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement. By its first signature below, EPA ratifies the Inspection findings and sulleged Violations set forth in the SPCC Form.

PA finds the Respondent is subject to the SPCC regulations and as violated the SPCC regulations as further identified in the PCC Form. The Respondent admits being subject to 40 CFR art 112 and admits that EPA has jurisdiction over the espondent and the Respondent's conduct as described in the PCC Form. Respondent does not contest the Inspection indings.

PA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement greement (Settlement Agreement) under the authority vested the Administrator of EPA by Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Act, 3 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6) (B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution at of 1990, and by 40 CFR § 22.13(b). The parties enter into a Settlement Agreement in order to settle the civil violations entified in the SPCC Form for a penalty of **One Thousand ve Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00)**. The Respondent consents the assessment of this penalty.

is Settlement Agreement is also subject to the following terms d conditions: 1) Respondent certifies, subject to civil and minal penalties for making a false submission to the United ates Government, that the violations have been corrected within days of receipt of this Agreement, or within an extension time me granted by the EPA. 2) The Respondent has sent a certified ack in the amount of \$1,500.00, payable to the "Environmental stection Agency" at the following address: "U.S. Environmental stection Agency, Fines & Penalties, CFC, PO Box 979077, St ris, MO 63197-9000" within 30 days of the date of filing with the gional Hearing Clerk (a.k.a. "effective date"), and 3) spondent has noted on the penalty payment check "OSLTF-" and the docket number of this case, "CWA-02-2014-3802."

hin 30 days of receipt of the Settlement Agreement, pondent must correct the violations identified in the SPCC n, certify such corrections, and sign and return this Settlement

Agreement as presented.

An initial 30 day extension may be granted upon written approval by the EPA. In certain cases., one or two additional 30 day extensions may be granted if EPA determines that documentation demonstrates it is technically infeasible or impractical to achieve compliance in less than thirty or sixty days.

Upon signing, please return this Settlement Agreement, the violation correction certification, description of activities taken to come into compliance and documentation of the cost to come into compliance to: "Francesco Maimone, Oil Enforcement Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2890 Woodbridge Avenue, MS-211, Edison, New Jersey 08837-3679."

This Settlement Agreement is binding on the parties signing below when Ordered by the Director of the Emergency Response and Remedial Division, and it is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. Payment of the penalty, as set forth in paragraph 4, is required within 30 days after filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. You will be notified of the effective date of this Settlement Agreement in a future mailing by the EPA.

If the penalty is paid in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and certification of compliance is deemed accurate, the EPA will take no further action against the Respondent for the violations of the SPCC regulations described in the SPCC Form. However, EPA does not waive any rights to take any enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by the Respondent of the SPCC regulations or of any other federal statute or regulations.

If Respondent fails to submit any documents or penalty payments as required under this Agreement, the proposed Settlement Agreement is withdrawn without prejudice to EPA's ability to file any other enforcement action for the noncompliance identified in the SPCC Form.

By signing and returning the Settlement Agreement to EPA, Respondent waives the opportunity for a hearing or appeal pursuant to Section 311 of the Act, and consents to EPA's approval of the Settlement Agreement without further notice.

APPROVED BY EPA:

Date:

Date:

Pric Mosher, Chief, Response & Prevention Branch

APPROVED BY RESPONDENT:

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Name/Title (print)

Signature

__Date: <u>9/8/</u>

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Walter E. Mugdan, Director

Emergency Response and Remedial Division

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I certify that the attached <u>VI WAPA Estate Richmond Generating Station</u> Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Expedited Settlement Agreement (and its enclosures), was sent in the following manner, on <u>September 22, 2014</u>, to the addressees listed below.

Original and One Copy Delivered by Inter-Office Mail to Regional Hearing Clerk's Office:

Karen Maples
Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 2
290 Broadway, 16th Floor
New York, New York 10007-1866

Dated: 9/23/14

Christina Ekstedt ERRD RPB Secretary

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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