

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

WC-15J

March 24, 2010

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> - 7001 0320 0006 0190 9893 <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Richard Antolak Barton Sanitation Service 70170 Provident Fairpoint Road St. Clairsville, OH 43950

Re:

Docket No: CWA-05-2009-0009

BD#

2751043W004

Dear Mr. Antolok:

I have enclosed one copy of the fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the resolution of the above case. It was filed March 24, 2010, with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

The penalty amount agreed upon is \$12,500, which is due 30 days after the effective date of this CAFO. A Certified or Cashier Check should be made payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," at the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

When submitting your check, please be sure that the Case Docket No. and the Billing Docket No. (BD) are included at the bottom of your check.

There is now an On Line Payment Option available through the Department of Treasury at https://www.pay.gov; which allows you to make payments using your credit card, checking or saving account. Using the Search Public Forms field (left side of page) enter "SFO 1.1" to access

As indicated in your CAFO, a copy of the check or electronic transfer must be sent to:

LaDawn Whitehead, (E-19J) Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604

Valdis Aistars, (WC-15J) Sludge Program Manager U.S. EPA 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604

Jeffrey Trevino, (C-14J) Associate Regional Counsel U.S. EPA 77 W. Jackson Blvd Chicago, IL 60604

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Valdis Aistars at (312) 886-0254.

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Sincerely yours,

Sally K. Swanson, Chief

Water Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mark Mann



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Barton Septic Tank Service,)	Docket No. CWA-05-2009-0009
)	Consent Agreement and Final Order.
Respondent.)	- Va

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Preliminary Statement

- 1. On July 30, 2009, the Director, Water Division, Region 5, United States

 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Complainant) filed the Complaint for this civil

 administrative action against Barton Septic Tank Service, 70170 Provident Fairpoint Road, St.

 Clairsville, Ohio, 43950, (Respondent), pursuant to Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act,

 (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the

 Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/ Termination or Suspension of

 Permits (the Consolidated Rules), codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22.
- 2. The Complaint alleged that on 131 occasions from July 1, 2004, to August 2, 2005, Respondent applied domestic septage to agricultural land, but failed to generate and maintain the records required by 40 C.F.R. § 503.17(b), in violation of Section 405(e) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1415(e).
- 3. On or about August 29, 2009, Respondent filed its Answer to the Complaint and requested a hearing pursuant to Section 309(g)(2)(B) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(B).
 - 4. The parties agree it is in their interest and in the public interest to resolve this action

without the adjudication of any issue of fact or law.

Stipulations

- 5. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations of the Complaint pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2).
- 6. Respondent neither admits nor denies the specific allegations contained in the Complaint pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2).
- 7. Respondent consents to the assessment of the stated civil penalty below pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2).
- 8. Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations of the Complaint and its right to appeal the proposed Final Order accompanying this Consent Agreement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2).
 - 9. Respondent consents to the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement.

Civil Penalty

- 10. Complainant determined the appropriate civil penalty to resolve this action without resort to hearing to be \$12,500.00 pursuant to Section 309(g)(3) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(3). Complainant considered the nature, circumstances, extent and gravity of the violations, and, with respect to Respondent, ability to pay, history of violations, degree of culpability, economic benefit resulting from the violations and any other factors justice may require. Complainant particularly considered financial information submitted by Respondent which demonstrated its inability to pay the proposed civil penalty to resolve this action.
- 11. Respondent agrees to pay the civil penalty of \$12,500.00 within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this CAFO. Respondent agrees to pay the \$12,500.00 civil penalty by sending a cashier's or certified check, payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

U.S. EPA Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

The check must state the docket number of this CAFO, and any assigned billing document number, discussed below.

12. Respondent agrees to include with its check a transmittal letter stating Respondent's name, complete address, the case docket number and any assigned billing document (BD) number. Respondent agrees to write the case docket number and the BD number on the face of the check. The BD number may be found on the cover letter transmitting this CAFO. Respondent must send copies of the check and transmittal letter to:

Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J) U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, Illinois 60604

Valdis Aistars (WC-15J)
Section 1
Water Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Jeffery M. Trevino (C-14J) Office of Regional Counsel U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, Illinois 60604

13. Respondent agrees it will take all future collected domestic septage to a publicly-owned treatment works (POTW) as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 403.3. If Respondent fails to take any of its future collected domestic septage to a POTW, it shall pay immediately a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 for each failure, in the manner prescribed in paragraphs 11 and 12 above, and subject

to the late fees of paragraphs 15 and 16 below.

- 14. The civil penalty and any stipulated penalties are not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 15. If Respondent does not pay the civil penalty or any stipulated penalties timely, EPA may refer this matter to the Attorney General who will recover such amount, plus interest, in the appropriate district court of the United States under Section 309(g)(9) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4). The validity, amount and appropriateness of the civil penalty or any stipulated penalties are not reviewable in a collection action.
- 16. Respondent must pay the following on any civil penalty or stipulated penalties overdue under this CAFO. 31 C.F.R. § 901.9. Interest will accrue on any amount overdue from the date the payment was due at a rate established pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717. Respondent must pay a \$15.00 handling charge each month that any portion of the penalty is more than thirty (30) days past due. In addition, Respondent must pay a six percent (6%) per year penalty on any principal amount ninety (90) days past due.

General Provisions

- 17. This CAFO resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged in the Complaint.
- 18. This CAFO does not affect the right of EPA or the United States to pursue appropriate injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violations of law.
- 19. This CAFO does not affect Respondent's responsibility to comply with the Clean Water Act, the pretreatment standards promulgated thereunder, or any other applicable federal, state, and local laws.
 - 20. Respondent certifies that it is complying with the Clean Water Act and the

pretreatment standards promulgated thereunder.

21. The terms of this CAFO bind Respondent, its successors and assigns.

22. Each person signing this agreement certifies that he or she has the authority to sign

for the party whom he or she represents and to bind that party to its terms.

23. Each party agrees to bear its own costs and attorney's fees in this action.

24. This CAFO constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

25. According to Section 309(g)(5) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. ' 1319(g)(5), this Consent

Agreement and Final Order will become effective the date it is filed with the Regional Hearing

Clerk. No person responded to the public notice of the commencement of this action pursuant to

Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1319(g)(4)(A). Therefore, it is not necessary to

notify any interested persons of the issuance of the Final Order in this matter pursuant to Section

309(g)(9)(C) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1319(g)(9)(C).

26. The Final Order, once effective, is a final order for the purposes of future

enforcement.

Barton Septic Tank Service, Respondent

2-5-2010

Date

Richard Antolak

President

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Complainant

3-11-10

Date

Tinka G. Hyde, Director

Water Division, Region 5

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FINAL ORDER

I approve the preceding Consent Agreement and incorporate it by reference into this Final Order. I order Barton Septic Tank Service, St. Clairsville, Ohio, to comply with the terms of the preceding Consent Agreement, effective the date it is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

Date

Low Bharat Mathur

Acting Regional Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Region 5

J.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF REGIONAL COUNSEL

Facility Name: Barton Sanitation Service

St. Clairsville, OH

Docket No: CWA-05-2009-0009

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the original and one copy of this Administrative Complaint was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on March 24, 2010 the above referenced document was sent Certified Mail to:

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Richard Antolak Barton Sanitation Service 70170 Provident Fairpoint Road St. Clarisville, OH 43950



Mark Mann Env. Unit Div. of Surface Water Ohio Environmental Protection Agency P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 RECEIVED

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Denise Moore Venus Moore
Title: Program Assistant

Date: March 24, 2010