



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

MAR 24 2009

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

SC-6J

CERTIFIED MAIL
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Ernest Alix
Water Treatment Plant Manager
DWSD- Northeast Water Treatment Plant
11000 East Eight Mile Road
Detroit, Michigan 48205

RE: Complaint and Expedited Settlement Agreement
ESA Docket No. RMP-08-ESA-012
Docket No. **CAA-05-2009-0012**

Dear Mr. Alix:

Enclosed please find a copy of the fully executed Expedited RMP Settlement Agreement (ESA). The ESA is binding on EPA and Respondent. EPA will take no further action against Respondent for the alleged violations cited in the ESA. The ESA requires no further action on your part.

Please feel free to contact Monika Chrzaszcz at (312) 886-0181, or Chrzaszcz.monika@epa.gov, if you have any questions regarding the enclosed document or if you have any other question about the program. Thank you for your assistance in resolving this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark J. Horwitz".

Mark J. Horwitz, Chief
Chemical Emergency
Preparedness & Prevention Section

Enclosure



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**EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT (ESA)**

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF
REGIONAL HEARING CLERK
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY.

DOCKET NO: RMP-08-ESA-012

This ESA is issued to: DWSD- Northeast Water Treatment Plant

At: 11000 East Eight Mile Road, Detroit, Michigan 48205

for violating Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

CAA-05-2009-0012

BD# 2750903A013

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 5, by its duly delegated official, the Director, Superfund Division, and by Respondent pursuant to Section 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d), and by 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). On November 13, 2007, EPA obtained the concurrence of the U.S. Department of Justice, pursuant to Section 113(d)(1) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. §7413(d)(1), to pursue this administrative enforcement action.

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

On May 29, 2008 an authorized representative of the EPA conducted a compliance inspection of the subject facility (Respondent) to determine compliance with the Risk Management Plan (RMP) regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the Act. EPA found that the Respondent had violated regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the Act by failing to comply with the regulations as noted on the attached RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN INSPECTION FINDINGS, ALLEGED VIOLATIONS AND PROPOSED PENALTY SHEET (FORM), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

SETTLEMENT

In consideration of Respondent's size of business, its full compliance history, its good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations, described in the attached FORM for the total penalty amount of **\$2,850.00**

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

The Respondent by signing below waives any objections that it may have regarding jurisdiction, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained in herein and in the FORM, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above. Respondent waives its rights to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C §7413(d)(2)(A), and to appeal this ESA. Each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any. Respondent also certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the Respondent has corrected the violations listed in the attached FORM and has sent a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of **\$2,850.00** in payment of the full penalty amount to the following address:

US Environmental Protection Agency
Fines and Penalties
Cincinnati Finance Center
PO Box 979077
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

The DOCKET NUMBER OF THIS ESA **must be included on the check.** (The DOCKET NUMBER is located at the top left corner of this ESA.)

This original ESA and a copy of the check must be sent by certified mail to:

Monika Chrzaszcz
Chemical Emergency
Preparedness and Prevention Section (SC-6J)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the Act referenced in the FORM. EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the Clean Air Act or any other statute.

If the signed original ESA **with an attached copy of the check** is not returned to the **EPA Region 5 office** at the above address in correct form by the Respondent within 45 days of the date of Respondent's receipt of it (90 days if an extension is granted), the proposed ESA is withdrawn, without prejudice to EPA's ability to file an enforcement action for the violations identified herein and in the FORM.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

FOR RESPONDENT:

Signature:  Date: 12-3-08

Name (print): ERNEST C. ALIX

Title (print): WATER TREATMENT PLANT MANAGER

DWDS – Northeast Water Treatment Plant

FOR COMPLAINANT:


Richard C. Karl, Director
Superfund Division

Date: 3/30/09

I hereby ratify the ESA and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.


~~Lynn Buhk~~
~~Regional Administrator~~

Bharat Mathur
Acting Regional Administrator

Date: 3/23/09