



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 4
ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

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Mr. Mark Kick
Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP
3450 Tanbark Court
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

Re: Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP; Docket No. TSCA-04-2010-2713(b)

Dear Mr. Kick:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the above-referenced matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the parties as directed in Section 22.6 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

As stated in Section V of the CAFO, with respect to payment of the assessed penalty, the first payment of \$611.83 is due within 30 days from the effective date. Please ensure that the face of your cashier's or certified check includes the name of the company and the docket number of this case. Penalty payment questions should be directed to Ms. Lori Weidner either by telephone at (513) 487-2125 or by written correspondence to her attention at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Cincinnati Accounting Operations address identified in the CAFO. Should you have any questions about this matter or your compliance status in the future, please call me at (404) 562-8979 or Mr. Kevin L. Woodruff at (404) 562-8828.

Also enclosed is a copy of the October 2001 *Enforcement Alert* titled "U.S. EPA Notifying Defendants of Securities and Exchange Commission's Environmental Disclosure Requirements." This document puts your client on notice of their potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission any environmental enforcement actions taken by EPA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeannette M. Gettle".

Jeannette M. Gettle
Chief
Pesticides and Toxic
Substances Branch

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In the Matter of:)
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Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP)
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Respondent.)
_____)

Docket No. TSCA-04-2010-2713(b)

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 (EPA). Respondent is Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP.
2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18, and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

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II. Preliminary Statements

3. The Administrator of EPA promulgated regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F under the authority of Section 1018 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d (Title X). It is a prohibited act under Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. 2689, for any person to fail or refuse to comply with a provision of Title X or with any rule or order issued under Title X.
4. For purposes of enforcing Title X under TSCA, the penalty for each violation applicable under Section 16 of that Act, 15 U.S.C. 2615, shall not be more than \$10,000, pursuant to Title X, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5). For each violation occurring after January 31, 1997, a penalty of up to \$11,000 may be assessed pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 19.
5. The authority to take action under Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under TSCA to EPA Region 4 by EPA Delegation 12-2-A, dated May 11, 1994. The Regional Administrator, Region 4, has redelegated this authority to the Director, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, by EPA Region 4 Delegation 12-2-A. Pursuant to the aforementioned delegations, the Director of Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has authority to commence an enforcement action as the Complainant in this matter.
6. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.5(c)(4) the following individual represents EPA in this matter and is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

III. Specific Allegations

7. Respondent is a Lessor, as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103, of residential housing located at 1304 Kendrick Road, Atlanta, Georgia, 1421 Bubbling Creek Road, Atlanta, Georgia, 1296 Kendrick Road, Atlanta, Georgia and 3660 Shadow Lane, Atlanta, Georgia. These residential housings are “target housing,” as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.
8. Based on information obtained by EPA on or about January 20, 2009, relating to Respondent’s contracts to lease its target housing described above, EPA alleges that Respondent violated Section 409 of TSCA and 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F as follows:
 - a. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.107(a)(1), a Lessor shall provide the Lessee an EPA-approved lead hazard information pamphlet before the Lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. Respondent failed to provide Lessee an EPA-approved pamphlet in at least four leases.

IV. Consent Agreement

9. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth above and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set forth above.
10. Respondent waives its right to a hearing on the allegations contained herein and its right to appeal the proposed Final Order accompanying the Consent Agreement.
11. Respondent consents to the assessment of the penalty proposed by EPA and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.

12. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F.
13. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to Section 16(a) of TSCA, for the specific violations alleged herein. Except as specifically provided in this CAFO, EPA reserves all other civil and criminal enforcement authorities, including the authority to address imminent hazards. Compliance with this CAFO shall not be a defense to any other actions subsequently commenced pursuant to Federal laws and regulations administered by EPA, and it is Respondent's responsibility to comply with said laws and regulations.
14. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F.

V. Final Order

15. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of **SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR DOLLARS** (\$7,224.00), which is to be paid in twelve payments, the first due within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this CAFO and subsequent payments in three month intervals thereafter. The total penalty amount to be paid, including interest, is \$7,340.43. Respondent shall make payments in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Payment Due Date</u>	<u>Payment Due</u>
Within 30 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 120 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 210 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 300 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83

Within 390 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 480 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 570 days of fining CAFO	\$611.83
Within 660 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 750 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 840 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 930 days of filing CAFO	\$611.83
Within 1020 days of filing CAFO	\$610.30

Respondent shall remit the civil penalty by either a cashier's or certified check made payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," and shall send the check to the following address by U.S. Postal Service:

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

The check shall reference on its face the name of the Respondent and Docket Number of this CAFO.

16. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check or wire transfer and a written statement that the payment has been made in accordance with this CAFO, to each of the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk
 U.S. EPA Region 4
 61 Forsyth Street, SW
 Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

Kevin L. Woodruff
 Lead and Children's
 Health Section
 U.S. EPA Region 4
 61 Forsyth Street, SW
 Atlanta, Ga 30303-8960
 (404) 562-8828.

and,

be assessed to cover the administrative costs, both direct and indirect, of overdue debts.

In addition, a late payment penalty charge shall be applied on any principal amount not paid within 90 days of the due date.

19. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
20. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
21. The undersigned representative of the party to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally binds that party to this CAFO.

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VI. Effective Date

23. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date on which the CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

Respondent: ATLANTA RESOURCE ENTERPRISE, LLLP
Docket No.: TSCA-04-2010-2713(b)

By: [Signature] (Signature) Date: 4/29/10

Name: MARC KIRK (Typed or Printed)

Title: PRESIDENT (Typed or Printed)

Complainant: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

By: [Signature] Date: 5/11/10
Kenneth R. Lapierre, Acting Director
Air, Pesticides and Toxics
Management Division
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED this ^{25th day} ~~25~~ day of May, 2010.

By: [Signature]
Susan B. Schub
Regional Judicial Officer

foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, in the Matter of: Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP, Docket Number: TSCA-04-2010-2713(b), to the addressees listed below.

Kevin Woodruff
Lead and Children's
Health Section
U.S. EPA Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960
(404) 562-8828.

(via EPA's internal mail)

Robert Caplan
Office of Environmental Accountability
U.S. EPA, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

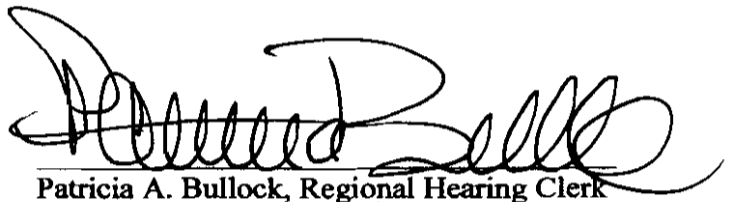
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404 562 9520

Mr. Mark Kick
Atlanta Resource Enterprise, LLLP
3450 Tanbark Court
Atlanta, GA 30319

(via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested)

Date: 6-4-10



Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303
(404) 562-9511

EPA ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CONTROL NUMBER FORM

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ORIGINATING OFFICE:

(Attach a copy of the final order and transmittal letter to Defendant/Respondent)

This form was originated by: Saundl Wilson on 5/13/10
(Name) (Date)

in the Region 4, ORC, OEA at (404) 562-9504
(Office) (Telephone Number)

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USAO COLLECTS

Administrative Order/Consent Agreement
FMO COLLECTS PAYMENT

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Oversight Billing - Cost Package required:
Sent with bill

Not sent with bill

Other Receivable

Oversight Billing - Cost Package not required

This is an original debt

This is a modification

PAYEE: Atlanta Resource Enterprise LLP
(Name of person and/or Company/Municipality making the payment)

The Total Dollar Amount of the Receivable: \$ 7224
(If installments, attach schedule of amounts and respective due dates. See Other side of this form.)

The Case Docket Number: TSCA 01 2010 2713 (6)

The Site Specific Superfund Account Number: _____

The Designated Regional/Headquarters Program Office: _____

The IFMS Accounts Receivable Control Number is: _____ Date _____

If you have any questions, please call: _____ of the Financial Management Section at: _____

DISTRIBUTION:

A. **JUDICIAL ORDERS:** Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the **FINAL JUDICIAL ORDER** should be mailed to:

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| 1. Debt Tracking Officer
Environmental Enforcement Section
Department of Justice RM 1647
P.O. Box 7611, Benjamin Franklin Station
Washington, D.C. 20044 | 2. Originating Office (EAD) |
| | 3. Designated Program Office |

B. **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS:** Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the Administrative Order should be to:

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| 1. Originating Office | 3. Designated Program Office |
| 2. Regional Hearing Clerk | 4. Regional Counsel (EAD) |