

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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David T. Woods Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc. 1914 Holloway Drive Holt, Michigan 48842

Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order In the Matter of
Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services. Inc., Docket Number TSCA-05-2018-0012

Dear Mr. Woods:

Enclosed please find a copy of a fully executed Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order in resolution of the above case. This document was filed on August 23, 2018 with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Pamela Grace
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
Land and Chemicals Division

Enclosure

Please be advised that providing false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties of up to \$10,000 or up to five years of imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. This letter is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1989, 44 U.S.C. §§ 3501, et seq.

Please direct any questions you may have regarding this letter to Ms. Grace at (312) 353-2833, or you may email her at grace.pamela@epa.gov. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Tinka G. Hyde

Director

Land and Chemicals Division

Julia S. Hale

Enclosure: Expedited Settlement Agreement

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Fibertec Industrial Hygierie Persces, MED CHOIL, Michigan

Respondent

W.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Docket No. TSCA-05-2018-0012

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

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- The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) alleges that Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc. (Respondent) failed to comply with regulations promulgated under Section 402 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 42 U.S.C. § 2682, in violation of Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.
- 2. EPA alleges that on September 22, 2017, the Respondent's training program provided an EPA accredited lead-based paint activities course in violation of TSCA as follows:

The training program's principal instructor and/or training manager failed to ensure that courses offered by the training program teach the work practice standards contain in 40 C.F.R. § 745.85 in such a manner that trainees are provided with the knowledge needed to perform the renovations they will be responsible for conducting, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.225(c)(10), in violation of Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.

- 3. EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of \$1,000 is in the public interest.
- 4. EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order (Agreement) pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 5. In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (1) admits that Respondent is subject to 40 C.F.R. § 745.225(a); (2) admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein; (3) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; and (4) consents to the assessment of this penalty.
- 6. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the TSCA violations identified in this Agreement by sending a cashier's or certified check, payable to "Treasurer, United States of America" to:

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

- The check must state the case title ("In the Matter of: Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc."), and the docket number of this Agreement.
- 7. Respondent must send a notice of payment that states Respondent's name, complete address, and the case docket number (along with a photocopy of the check) to EPA, ATTN: Pamela Grace, 77 West Jackson Boulevard (LC-17J), Chicago, Illinois 60604, when it pays the penalty.
- 8. This civil penalty is not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 9. If Respondent does not pay timely the civil penalty, 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 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a). The validity, amount and appropriateness of the civil penalty are not reviewable in a collection action.
- 10. Pursuant to 31 C.F.R. § 901.9, Respondent must pay the following on any amount overdue under this Agreement. Interest will accrue on any amount overdue at a rate established pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717. Respondent must pay a \$15 handling charge each month that any portion of the penalty is more than 30 days past due. In addition, Respondent must pay a 6 percent per year penalty on any principal amount 90 days past due.
- 11. This Agreement resolves Respondent's liability only for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged in the Agreement.
- 12. This Agreement does not affect the rights of EPA or the United States to pursue appropriate injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violations of law.
- 13. EPA reserves all of its rights to take enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by Respondent of TSCA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.
- 14. This Agreement does not affect Respondent's responsibility to comply with TSCA, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2601 et seq., and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- 15. Respondent certifies that it is complying with Section 402 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2682, and its implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 745.
- 16. The terms of this Agreement bind Respondent, and its successors and assigns.
- 17. 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.
- 18. Upon signing and returning this Agreement to EPA, Respondent waives any and all remedies, claims for relief and other available rights to judicial or administrative review Respondent may have with respect to any issue of fact or law set forth in this Expedited Settlement Agreement, including the opportunity for a hearing or appeal pursuant to TSCA and 40 C.F.R. Part 22 and any right of judicial review under Chapter 7 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 701-706.

- 19. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees.
- 20. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b) is effective upon filing.

IT IS SO AGREED.	
NAME (print): Phillip A. Peterson	
NAME (print): Phillip A. Peterson TITLE (print): Vice President	
SIGNATURE: Phillip a Lit	DATE: 07/25/18
APPROVED BY EPA:	
Michael D. Harris Tinka G. Hyde	DATE: 8/17/2018
Tinka G. Hyde	• •
Division Director	
Land and Chemicals Division	
United States Environmental Protection Agency	
Region 5	

In the Matter of:

Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc. Holt, Michigan TSCA-05-2018-0012

FINAL ORDER

This Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order, as agreed to by the parties, shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. This Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order concludes this proceeding pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 22 19 Date

Ann Coyle

Regional Judicial Officer

United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 5

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I served a true and correct	t copy of the	foregoing Expedit	ed Settlement Agreement
and Final Order, which was filed on			, in the
following manner to the addressees:	Might		

Copy by Certified Mail Return-receipt:

David T. Woods

Industrial Hygiene Manager

Fibertec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc.

1914 Holloway Drive Holt, Michigan 48842

Copy by E-mail to

Attorney for Complainant:

Terry Stanuch

stanuch.terry@epa.gov

Copy by E-mail to

Regional Judicial Officer:

Ann Coyle

coyle.ann@epa.gov

LaDawn Whitehead

Regional Hearing Clerk

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5

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