

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 7 REGION 7 11201 RENNER BOULEVARD LENEXA, KANSAS 66219

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (ESA)

DOCKET NO.: CAA-07-2015-0034 **This ESA is issued to**: Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc. **At**: 105 West Railroad, Stanberry, Missouri 64489 for violating Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 (EPA) and Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc. (Respondent), have agreed to a settlement of this action before filing of a complaint, and thus this action is simultaneously commenced and concluded pursuant to Rules 22.13(b) and 22.18(B)(2) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b), 22.18(b)(2).

The Complainant, by delegation of the Administrator of the EPA, is the Director of the Air and Waste Management Division. The Respondent is Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc., 105 West Railroad, Stanberry, Missouri 64489.

This is an administrative action for the assessment of civil penalties instituted pursuant to Section 113(d) of the Clean Air Act (CAA). Pursuant to Section 113(d) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), the Administrator and the Attorney General jointly determined that cases which meet the criteria set forth in EPA's policy entitled "Use of Expedited Settlements in Addressing Violations of the Clean Air Act Chemical Accident Prevention Provision, 40 C.F.R. Part 68," dated January 5, 2004, are appropriate for administrative penalty action.

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

On April 7, 2015, an authorized representative of the EPA conducted a compliance inspection of the Respondent's facility located at 105 West Railroad, Stanberry, Missouri, to determine compliance with the Risk Management Plan (RMP) regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the CAA. The EPA found that the Respondent had violated regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the CAA by failing to comply with the regulations as noted on the enclosed Risk Management Program Inspection Findings (RMP Findings), 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

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entire record, the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations, described in the enclosed RMP Findings, for the total penalty amount of **\$2,160**.

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 herein and in the RMP Findings, 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 CAA, 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 enclosed RMP Findings and has sent a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "United States Treasury") in the amount of **\$2,160** in payment of the full penalty amount to the following address:

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

The Docket Number of this ESA is CAA-07-2015-0034, and must be included on the check.

This original ESA, a copy of the completed RMP Findings, and <u>a copy of the check must</u> be sent by certified mail to:

Christine Hoard Chemical Risk Information Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

A copy of the check must also be sent to:

Kathy M. Robinson Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, the EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the CAA referenced in the RMP

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Findings. The EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the CAA or any other statute.

If the signed original ESA with an attached copy of the check is not returned to the <u>EPA</u> <u>Region 7 office</u> 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 RMP Findings.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

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

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FOR RESPONDENT:

X Boatwrigh Prru Name (print): Title (print): _ resident Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc.

Date: 8-20-15

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FOR COMPLAINANT:

0 Becky Weber

Director Air and Waste Management Division EPA Region 7

Kent Johnson Assistant Regional Counsel Office of Regional Counsel EPA Region 7

9/21/15 Date:

Date: 9/16/2015

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

Date: 9-22-15 Sonomes

Karina Borromeo Regional Judicial Officer

Risk Management Program Inspection Findings CAA § 112(r) Violations

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COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT WITH THE ESA.

VIOLATIONS

PENALTY AMOUNT

\$1,500

Safety Information [68.48(b)]

The owner or operator failed to ensure the process is designed in compliance with recognized and generally accepted and good engineering practices.

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Prevention Program Hazard Review [68.50(d)] No penalty assessed The owner or operator failed to update the review at least once every five years or whenever a major change in the processes occurred. How was this addressed:

Prevention Program Compliance Audits [68.58(a)] \$1,200 The owner or operator failed to *certify* (2013 Compliance Audit) it has evaluated compliance with the provisions of this subpart at least every three years to verify that the procedures and practices developed under the rule are adequate and are being followed.

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Total Unadjusted Penalty

Calculation of Adjusted Penalty

1st Reference the Multipliers for calculating proposed penalties for violations found during RMP inspection matrix. Finding the column for 0-9 employees and the row for >10 times the threshold quantity of 10,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia as listed in 40 C.F.R. Part 68.130 for the amount in a process gives a multiplier factor of 0.8. Therefore, the multiplier for Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc. = 0.8.

2nd Adjusted Penalty = \$2,700 (Unadjusted Penalty) X 0.8 (Size-Threshold Multiplier) Adjusted Penalty = \$2,160

3rd An Adjusted Penalty of \$2,160 would be assessed to Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc. Violations found during the RMP Compliance Inspection. This amount will be found in the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA)

Total Adjusted Penalty

\$2,160

This section must be also be completed and signed by Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc.:

The approximate cost to correct the above items: \$______

erry Boatwright Date: 8-20-15 Compliance staff name: X Signed:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Order was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees:

Copy by email to Attorney for Complainant:

hoard.christine@epa.gov

Copy by First Class Mail and email to:

Jerry Boatwright, President Alldredge Feed & Seed, Inc. 105 West Railroad Stanberry, Missouri 64489

9/22/15

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Kathy Robinson Hearing Clerk, Region 7

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