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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 4
ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
61 FORSYTH STREET
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. William L. Lloyd, Operations Director Alliance One International, Inc. P.O. Box 166 Farmville, North Carolina 27828-0166

SUBJ: Consent Agreement and Final Order: Docket No. CWA-04-2012-5014

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

Enclosed is a copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order for the above referenced matter. This CAFO became effective on the date of filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk as required by 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.6 and 22.31, and as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency hereby notifies you that the Expedited Settlement Agreement has been executed by both parties and is binding on the EPA and you. Upon receipt of your assessed penalty of \$500.00, the EPA will take no further action against you for the violations cited in the ESA. Your copy of the executed ESA is enclosed.

You must submit your payment within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this letter by either electronic funds transfer, certified or cashiers check made payable to "Environmental Protection Agency." The check and a letter accompanying the check shall reference the name of the responsible party (Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund-311, Alliance One International, Inc.) and the EPA docket number CWA-04-2012-5014, and shall be sent depending upon your preferred method of payment identified in Enclosure A.

At the same time, you shall send a separate copy of each check and a written statement that the payment is being made in accordance with this CAFO, to the persons at the following addresses:

Ms. Patricia Bullock Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960

Mr. Mel Rechtman South Enforcement and Compliance Section RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

If you have any questions, please contact Mel Rechtman at (404) 562-8745.

Sincerely,

César A. Zapata, Chief

RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch RCRA Division

Enclosures:

- 1. Expedited Settlement Agreement
- 2. Payment Information

cc: USCG

ENCLOSURE A

COLLECTION INFORMATION

CHECK PAYMENTS:

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

WIRE TRANSFERS:

Wire transfers should be directed to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

ABA = 021030004

Account = 68010727

SWIFT address = FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street

New York, New York 10045

Field Tag 4200 of the Fedwire message should read "D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency"

OVERNIGHT MAIL:

U.S. Bank 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Contact: Natalie Pearson 314-418-4087

ACH (also known as REX or remittance express)

Automated Clearinghouse (ACH) for receiving U.S. currency US Treasury REX / ACH Receiver 5700 Rivertech Court Riverdale, Maryland 20737 Contacts: John Schmid 202-874-7028 or Remittance Express 1-866-234-5681 ABA = 051036706 Transaction Code 22 – checking Environmental Protection Agency Account 310006 CTX Format

ON LINE PAYMENT:

There is now an On Line Payment Option, available through the Dept. of Treasury. This payment option can be accessed from the information below:

www.pay.gov

Enter sfo 1.1 in the search field

Open form and complete required fields.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION 4**

61 FORSYTH STREET, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 EXPEDITED SPILL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO. CWA-04-2012-5014

Time:17:30: On: February 16, 2012 At or near 2400 Stantonsburg Road, "Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina, Alliance One International, Inc. (Respondent) discharged an estimated 250 gallons of oil in violation of Section 311(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act (the Act), as noted on the attached ALLEGED CIVIL VIOLATION (Form), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

The EPA finds the Respondent's conduct is subject to the discharge prohibition of Section 311(b)(3) of the Act, as described in that statute and further described by 40 C.F.R. § 110.3. The Respondent admits being subject to Section 311(b)(3) and that the EPA has jurisdiction over the Respondent and the Respondent's conduct as described in the Form. Respondent neither admits nor denies the Allegation in the Form.

The EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement under the authority vested in the Administrator of the EPA by Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and by 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). The parties enter into this Expedited Spill Settlement Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement is withdrawn Agreement in order to settle the civil violation described without prejudice to the EPA's ability to file any other in the Form for a penalty of \$500.00. Respondent consents enforcement action for the violation identified in the to the assessment of this penalty.

This Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement is also subject APPROVED BY RESPONDENT: to the following terms and conditions: Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that it has investigated the cause of the spill, it has cleaned up the spill pursuant to federal requirements at a cost of \$23.8\9-, and it has taken corrective actions that will prevent future spills. The Respondent also by signature on this Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement agrees to payment of the penalty assessed. Do not enclose payment. Upon receiving written execution of this Agreement, Respondent shall submit payment within 30 days by certified check or electronic funds transfer for \$500.00 payable to the "US Environmental Protection Agency CWA-311". Instructions on how to make this payment will be included in the written notice that will be issued when the Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement becomes effective.

Upon signing and returning this Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement to the EPA, Respondent waives the opportunity for a hearing or appeal pursuant to Section 311 of the Act, and consents to the EPA's approval of the Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement without further notice.

After this Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement becomes effective and the assessed penalty is paid, the EPA will take no further action against the Respondent for the violation of Section 311(b)(3) of the Act described in the Form. However, the EPA does not waive any rights to take any enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violation by the Respondent of Section 311(b)(3) of the Act or of any other federal statute or regulation. By its first signature, the EPA ratifies the Findings and Alleged Violation set forth in the Form.

This Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and effective upon the EPA's filing of the document with the Regional Hearing Clerk. If the Respondent does not sign and return this Expedited Spill Settlement Agreement as presented within 14 days of the date of its receipt, the proposed Form.

Name (print): VILLIAM C. CCO 113				
Title (print): OPERATIONS DIRECTOR - NORTH/CENTRAL AN				
Signature: William L.				
APPROVED BY THE EPA:				
CEAN A NODAL Date 05/50/12				
César A. Zapata, Chief RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch				
RCRA Division				
IT IS SO ORDERED: fune 4, 201 Pate & SM				
Susan B. Schub				
Regional Judicial Officer				

ALLEGED CIVIL VIOLATION - DOCKET NO. CWA-04-2012-5014

- 1 Alliance One International. Inc.. Respondent, is a corporation with a place of business located at meaning of Section 311(a)(7) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(7) (Act).
- 2. Respondent is the owner of an onshore facility within the meaning of Section 311(a)(10) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(10), which was located at or near 2400 Stantonsburg Road, Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina ("facility").
- 3. Section 311(b)(3) of the Act prohibits the discharge of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines in such quantities that have been determined may be harmful to the public health or welfare or environment of the United States.
- 4. For purposes of Section 311(b)(3) and (b)(4) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3) and (b)(4), discharges of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States in such quantities that have been determined may be harmful to the public health, welfare or environment of the United States are defined in 40 C.F.R. § 110.3 to include discharges of oil that (1) violate applicable water quality standards, (2) cause a film or a sheen upon or discoloration of the surface of the water or adjoining shorelines or, (3) cause a sludge or emulsion to be deposited beneath the surface of the water or upon the adjoining shorelines.
- 5. On February 16, 2012, Respondent discharged an estimated 250 gallons of oil as defined in Section 311(a)(1) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(1), from its facility upon an unnamed tributary of the Hominy Swamp Creek, which flows into Contentnea Creek, which flows into the Neuse River, and adjoining shorelines.
- 6. The unnamed tributary of the Hominy Swamp Creek, which flows into the Contentnea Creek, which flows into the Neuse River, is a "navigable water of the United States", as defined in Section 502(7) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(7), and 40 C.F.R. § 110.1, and is subject to the jurisdiction of Section 311 of the Act.
- 7. Respondent's February 16, 2012, discharge of oil from its facility caused a sheen upon or discoloration of the surface or the adjoining shoreline of the unnamed tributary of the Hominy Swamp Creek, or caused a sludge or emulsion to be deposited beneath the surface, and therefore, was in a quantity that has been determined may be harmful under 40 C.F.R. § 110.3.
- 8. Respondent's February 16, 2012, discharge of oil from its facility into or upon the unnamed tributary of the Hominy Swamp Creek and adjoining shorelines in a quantity that has been determined may be harmful under 40 C.F.R. § 110.3 violated Section 311(b)(3) of the Act. Pursuant to Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Act, and 40 C.F.R. § 19.4, the Respondent is liable for civil penalties of up to \$16,000 per violation, up to a maximum of \$37,500.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the attached Consent Agreement and Final Order, in the Matter of Alliance One International, Inc., Docket No. CWA-04-2012-5014 (filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk ON 0 5 2012012) was served of the person set forth below:

Mr. William L. Lloyd, Operations Director Alliance One International, Inc. P.O.Box 166 Farmville, North Carolina 27828-0166 CERTIFIED MAIL
Return Receipt Requested

Mel Rechtman Via EPA's Internal Mail RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Quantindra Smith Via EPA's Internal Mail and PDF RCRA & OPA Enforcement & Compliance Branch U.S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Date: 0-5-/2

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

EPA ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CONTROL NUMBER FORM

(Attach a copy of the final order and transmittal letter to Defendant/Respondent)				
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This for	rm was originated by: Mel Rechtman	on 5/23/12		
(Name) (Date)				
in the	ROECB	at	404/562-8745	
in the _	(Office)		(Phone Number)	
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	Non-SF Judicial Order/Consent Decree USAO COLLECTS	X	Administrative Order/Consent Agreement FMO COLLECTS PAYMENT	
	SF Judicial Order/Consent Decree DOJ COLLECTS		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: Alliance One International, Inc.				
The Total Dollar Amount of the Receivable: 500.00 (If installments, attach schedule of amounts and respective due dates. See other side of this form.)				
The Core Decket Number CWA 04 2012 5014				
The Case Docket Number: <u>CWA-04-20</u> 12-5014 The Site Specific Superfund Account Number:				
The Designated Regional/Headquarters Program Office: RCRA Division				
To Be Completed By Cincinnati Finance Center				
The IFMS Accounts Receivable Control Number is: Date: /2011 DISTRIBUTION:				
A. <u>JUDICIAL ORDERS</u> : Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the <u>FINAL JUDICIAL ORDER</u> should be mailed to:				
E D P	ebt Tracking Officer nvironmental Enforcement Section separtment of Justice RM 1647 O. Box 7611, Benjamin Franklin Station Vashington, D.C. 20044	2. 3.	Originating Office (EAD) Designated Program Office	
B. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS</u> : Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the Administrative Order Should be to:				
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