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Case Docket Number
Site-specific Superfund (SF) Acct. Number
This is an original debt This is a modification
Name and address of Person and/or Company/Municipality making the payment: <u>Robert St. Laurent, President</u> <u>154 Pine Street</u> <u>Nashua, New Humpshire 03060</u>
Total Dollar Amount of Receivable \$ 7,966.00 Due Date: 1917
SEP due? Yes No Date Due
Installment Method (if applicable)
INSTALLMENTS OF: $1^{ST} \le 2,000.00$ or $8/12/16$ $2^{=2} \le 3,023.00$ or $10/11/16$ $3^{=2} \le 3,013.00$ or $19/17$ $4^{\pm} \le 0$ or $5^{\pm} \le 0$ or
For RHC Tracking Purposes:
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TO BE FILLED OUT BY LOCAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE:
IFMS Accounts Receivable Control Number
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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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RE In the Matter of St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. Docket No.: TSCA-01-2016-0035

Dear Ms. Rivera:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced action, please find the original and one copy of a Consent Agreement and Final Order.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Peter DeCambre Senior Enforcement Counsel

cc: Robert St. Laurent (St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc.)

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 1

In the Matter of:

St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. 154 Pine Street Nashua, New Hampshire

Respondent.

Proceeding under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2615(a) Docket No.

TSCA-01-2016-0035

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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Complainant, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), and Respondent, St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. ("Respondent"), have agreed that settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that entry of this Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO") without further litigation is the most appropriate means of resolving this matter.

I. <u>PRELIMINARY STATEMENT</u>

 EPA initiated this proceeding against Respondent pursuant to Section 16 of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA"), 15 U.S.C. § 2615, by filing a Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, Docket No. TSCA-01-2016-0035 ("Complaint").

The Complaint alleges that Respondent violated Sections 15 and 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C.
§§ 2614 and 2689, the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 ("the Act"),
U.S.C. § 4851 *et seq.*, and the federal regulations promulgated thereunder, entitled
"Residential Property Renovation," as set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart E.

3. The provisions of this CAFO shall apply to and be binding on Respondent, its successors, and assigns.

4. Respondent stipulates that EPA has jurisdiction over the subject matter alleged in the Complaint. Respondent waives any defenses it might have as to jurisdiction and venue and, without admitting or denying the factual and legal allegations contained in the Complaint, consents to the terms of this CAFO. This CAFO shall not be construed to create any rights in, or any cause of action in favor of, any third party not a party to this CAFO.

5. Respondent hereby waives its right to a judicial or administrative hearing on any issue of law or fact set forth in the Complaint and waives its right to appeal the Final Order.

II. TERMS OF SETTLEMENT

6. Respondent hereby certifies that it is currently operating and will operate its business in compliance with Section 406(b) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2686(b), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. § 4851 *et seq.*, and the Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart E.

7. Pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and taking into account the nature, circumstances, extent, and gravity of the violations, EPA has determined that an appropriate civil penalty to settle this action is in the amount of \$7,966.

8. Respondent consents to the issuance of this CAFO and consents to the payment of a civil penalty of \$7,966 which shall be due in three (3) installments over six months. The first payment shall be in the amount of \$2,000 and shall be made within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this CAFO. The second payment shall be made within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this CAFO in the amount of \$3,023 (consisting of \$2,983 in principal plus \$40

in interest). The third payment shall be made within one hundred eighty days (180) days of the effective date of this CAFO in the amount of \$3,013 (consisting of \$2,983 in principal plus \$30 in interest).

9. Respondent certifies, under penalty of law, that it cannot pay the penalty within 30 days of the effective date without experiencing an undue financial hardship to the company. Respondent certifies that this statement is true, accurate, and complete based upon personal knowledge or personal inquiry of the person or persons directly responsible for gathering financial information, and that Respondent is aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

10. Respondent shall make the payment by cashier's or certified check, or by wire transfer, and shall include the case name and docket number (*In re St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc.*, Docket No. TSCA-01-2016-0035) on the face of the check or wire transfer confirmation. A check should be payable to "Treasurer, United States of America." The payment shall be remitted as follows:

If remitted by regular U.S. mail:

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

If remitted by any overnight commercial carrier: U.S. Bank 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, Missouri 63101

<u>If remitted by wire transfer</u>: Any wire transfer must be sent directly to the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City using the following information:

In re: St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. Docket No. TSCA-01-2016-0035 Consent Agreement and Final Order Page 3 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"

In addition, at the time of payment, Respondent should also forward notice of payment of the

civil penalty as well as copies of the payment check or payment receipt to:

Wanda Santiago Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Mail Code: ORA18-1 Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912

and

Peter DeCambre Enforcement Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Mail Code: OES 04-2 Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912

11. Pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and 31 U.S.C. § 3717, EPA is

entitled to assess interest and penalties on debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the cost of processing and handling a delinquent claim. In the event that the civil penalty is not paid when due, the penalty shall be payable, plus accrued interest, without demand. Interest shall be payable at the rate of the United States Treasury tax and loan rate in accordance with 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(b)(2) and shall accrue from the original date on which the penalty was due to the date of payment. In addition, a penalty charge of six (6) percent per year will be assessed on any portion of the debt which remains delinquent more than ninety (90) days after payment is due. In re: St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. Docket No. TSCA-01-2016-0035 However, should assessment of the penalty charge on the debt be required, it will be assessed as of the first day payment is due under 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(d).

12. All payments made pursuant to this CAFO are penalties within the meaning of Section 162(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. §162(f), and Respondent shall not use these payments in any way as, or in furtherance of, a tax deduction under federal law.

13. Respondent shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees in connection with the action resolved by this CAFO and specifically waives any right to recover such costs from the other party pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C § 504, or other applicable laws.

14. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, for the violations alleged in the Complaint, contingent on Respondent's full compliance with the terms of this CAFO. Compliance with this CAFO shall not be a defense to any actions subsequently commenced pursuant to Federal laws and regulations administered by EPA, and it is the responsibility of Respondent to comply with such laws and regulations.

15. This CAFO in no way relieves Respondent or its employees of any criminal liability. Nothing in the CAFO shall be construed to limit the authority of the United States to undertake any action against Respondent in response to conditions that may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, welfare, or the environment. Nothing in this CAFO shall be construed as prohibiting, altering, or in any way limiting the ability of EPA to seek any other remedies or sanctions available by virtue of Respondent's violation of this CAFO or Respondent's violation of the statutes and regulations upon which this agreement is based, or for Respondent's violation of applicable provision of law.

In re: St. Laurent Construction Co. Inc. Docket No. TSCA-01-2016-0035 Consent Agreement and Final Order Page 5 16. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and to execute and legally bind that party to it.

17. This CAFO does not constitute a waiver, suspension, or modification of the requirements of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2601 *et seq.*, or any regulations promulgated thereunder.

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), the effective date is the date on which this
CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

For Respondent:

Robert St. Laurent, President St. Laurent Construction Inc.

6/20/18

Date

For Complainant:

Joanna B. Jerison Legal Enforcement Manager Office of Environmental Stewardship U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region I

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FINAL ORDER

The foregoing Consent Agreement is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. The Respondent is hereby ordered to comply with the terms of the above Consent Agreement, effective on the date it is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

Date: 7/13/16

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Sharon Wells Regional Judicial Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I