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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 6  
DALLAS, TEXAS

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In the Matter of	§	
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Intergulf Marine, LLC	§	Docket No. RCRA-06-2025-0939
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Respondent.	§	

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**EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER**

1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 (“EPA”) is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement (“Agreement”) pursuant to Section 3008 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”), 42 U.S.C. § 6928 and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).

2. By copy of this letter, EPA is providing the state of Texas with notice of the referenced violations of Subtitle C of RCRA as required by Section 3008(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a)(2).

3. Intergulf Marine, LLC (“Respondent”) is the owner or operator of the facility at 12003 Strang Rd., La Porte, TX 77571 (the “Facility”). EPA conducted a Compliance Inspection at the Facility on March 13, 2024. EPA alleges that Respondent violated the following requirements of the RCRA and the EPA approved and authorized Texas hazardous waste management programs:

- a. **Failure to Meet the Standards for Small Quantity Handlers of Universal Waste**

- i. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 273.15(c), [30 Texas Administrative Code § 335.261], a small quantity handler of universal waste who accumulates universal waste must be able to demonstrate the length of time that the universal waste has been accumulated from the date it becomes a waste or is received. On March 13, 2024, used aerosol cans were identified in a full satellite accumulation area 55-gallon drum designated for oil debris and not managed as universal waste. The Facility was unable to demonstrate the length of time that the universal waste had been accumulating from the date it became a waste or was received, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 273.15(c).
  - ii. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 273.14(f), [30 Texas Administrative Code § 335.261], requires that universal waste aerosol cans, or a container in which the aerosol cans are contained, must be labeled or marked clearly with any of the following phrases: “Universal Waste – Aerosol Can(s),” “Waste Aerosol Can(s),” or “Used Aerosol Can(s)”. On March 13, 2024, used aerosol cans were identified in a full satellite accumulation area 55-gallon drum designated for oil debris and not managed as universal waste. The Facility did not label or mark clearly the container storing used aerosol cans, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 273.14(f).
- b. Failure to Prepare Accurate Manifest for Hazardous Waste**
- Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 262.20(a)(1), [30 Texas Administrative Code § 335.54], requires that a generator must prepare a manifest for hazardous waste

transported off site for treatment, storage, or disposal. On March 13, 2024, a manifest was identified using the generator EPA ID number for 'Circon 225' even though the waste was generated by the Facility. The Facility did not prepare an accurate manifest for hazardous waste, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 262.20(a)(1).

**c. Failure to Meet Land Disposal Restriction Standards**

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 268.7(a)(2), [30 Texas Administrative Code § 335.431], requires that if a waste does not meet LDR treatment standards, a generator must send a one-time written notice to each treatment, storage, or disposal facility receiving the waste. On March 13, 2024, a manifest was identified with an LDR form associated for a waste shipment generated by the Facility but showed the EPA ID and address for 'Circon 225' as the generating facility. The Facility did not meet LDR treatment standards and did not send a onetime written notice to each treatment, storage, or disposal facility receiving the waste, in violation of 40 C.F.R. §268.7(a)(2).

4. EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of \$2,500 is in the public interest.

5. In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (1) admits that Respondent is subject to RCRA and its implementing regulations; (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; (4) consents to the assessment of this penalty; (5) waives the opportunity for a hearing to contest any issue of fact or law set forth herein; (6) waives its right

to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Agreement pursuant to Section 3008(b) of RCRA; and (7) consents to electronic service of the filed ESA.

6. Within thirty (30) calendar days of the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent must pay the civil penalty of \$2,500 using any method provided on the following website: <https://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment>. Such payment shall identify Respondent by name and include the docket number assigned to this Agreement by the Regional Hearing Clerk.

7. Within 24 hours of payment, email proof of payment (e.g., a copy of the check, confirmation of credit card or debit card payment, or confirmation of wire or automated clearinghouse transfer, and any other information required to demonstrate that payment has been made according to EPA requirements), including Respondent's name, complete address, and docket number to the following:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 6 Hearing Clerk  
[Vaughn.Lorena@epa.gov](mailto:Vaughn.Lorena@epa.gov)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6  
Waste and Chemical Enforcement Branch  
[Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Cincinnati Finance Center  
[CINWD\\_AcctsReceivable@epa.gov](mailto:CINWD_AcctsReceivable@epa.gov)

8. No portion of the civil penalty or interest paid by Respondent pursuant to the requirements of this Expedited Settlement and Final Order shall be claimed by Respondent as a deduction for federal, state or local income tax purposes.

9. By signing this Agreement, Respondent waives any rights or defenses that Respondent has or may have for this matter to be resolved in federal court, including but not

limited to any right to a jury trial, and waives any right to challenge the lawfulness of the final order accompanying the Agreement.

10. By its signature below Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the alleged violations have been corrected and Respondent has submitted true and accurate documentation of such correction.

11. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter the terms and conditions of this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order and to execute and legally bind Respondent to it. Upon the effective date of this Agreement, payment of the civil penalty shall constitute full settlement of the civil claims alleged herein.

12. Full payment of the civil penalty shall only resolve Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged herein. EPA reserves all of its rights to take an enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by Respondent of RCRA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.

13. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

14. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), is effective upon filing.

15. This Agreement authorized by EPA's execution of the Final Order attached hereto constitutes a final order under 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

16. EPA and Respondent agree to the use of electronic signatures for this matter pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.6. EPA and Respondent further agree to electronic service of this Agreement by email to the following:

To EPA: [Murdock.Russell@epa.gov](mailto:Murdock.Russell@epa.gov) and [Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov)

To Respondent: [kcolombo@covanta.com](mailto:kcolombo@covanta.com)

**RESPONDENT:**  
Intergulf Marine, LLC

Date: 5-1-2025

  
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Signature

Joey King  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Marine Manager  
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Title

**COMPLAINANT:**  
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Date: May 2, 2025

  
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Cheryl T. Seager  
Director  
Enforcement and  
Compliance Assurance Division  
U.S. EPA, Region 6

**FINAL ORDER**

Pursuant to the authority of Section 3008(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6928(a), and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/ Termination or Suspension of Permits, 40 C.F.R. Part 22, the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement resolving this matter is hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order.

Respondent is ORDERED to comply with all of the terms of the Expedited Settlement Agreement. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), the effective date of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

This Final Order shall resolve only those causes of action alleged in the Expedited Settlement Agreement. Nothing in this Final Order shall be construed to waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondents' (or its officers, agents, servants, employees, successors, or assigns) obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and regulations, including the regulations that were the subject of this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

**Rucki,**  
**Thomas**  
Thomas Rucki  
Regional Judicial Officer

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order was filed with me, the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA - Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75270-2102, and that I sent a true and correct copy on this day in the following manner to the email addresses below:


**Copy via Email to Complainant:**

Russell Murdock  
U.S. EPA, Region 6  
[Murdock.Russell@epa.gov](mailto:Murdock.Russell@epa.gov)

Elizabeth Pham  
U.S. EPA, Region 6  
[Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Pham.Elizabeth@epa.gov)

**Copy via Email to Respondent:**

Kris Colombo  
[kcolombo@covanta.com](mailto:kcolombo@covanta.com)  
Intergulf Marine, LLC  
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Regional Hearing Clerk  
U.S. EPA, Region 6