

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

CAA-05-2016-0023

DOCKET NO: RMP-16-ESA-005

This ESA is issued to: The Andersons Inc. at: 6755 Helena Road, Arena, Wisconsin 53503

for violations of Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

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MAY 17-2016

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, and The Andersons ("Respondent"), have agreed to the settlement of this action before the filing of a Complaint. EPA and Respondent (jointly "the Parties") have agreed that settling this action without the filing of a complaint, or the adjudication of any issue of fact or law, is in their interest and in the public interest. This action is thus simultaneously commenced and concluded by this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") and Final Order. See 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2)-(3).

This is an administrative action for the assessment of civil penalties instituted pursuant to EPA's authority under Sections 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d). The Director of the Superfund Division, Region 5, EPA ("Complainant") has been delegated the authority to issue an administrative complaint seeking the assessment of civil penalties for violations of Section 112(r) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7412(r). The Regional Administrator for Region 5 of EPA is authorized by Sections 113(a)(3) and (d)(1) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7413(a)(3), and (d)(1), to issue a Final Order ratifying this ESA.

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

On January 13, 2015, EPA sent a Request for Information Pursuant to Section 114(a) of the Clean Air Act to The Andersons Inc., to determine its compliance with the Risk Management Program ("RMP") regulations promulgated pursuant to Section 112(r) of the Act, and set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 68. EPA found that the Respondent had violated the regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the Act by failing to comply with 40 C.F.R. Part 68.190(b)(1), the requirement to resubmit its RMP at least every five years.

<u>SETTLEMENT</u>

In consideration of Respondent's size of business, its full compliance history, its good faith efforts to comply, other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record, the parties enter into this ESA in order to resolve any civil penalties for this alleged violation for the total penalty amount of \$1,600.00.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

By signing below, Respondent consents to, and is bound by, the terms and conditions of this ESA, including the assessment of the civil penalty set forth above. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the ESA, and waives any objections that it may have regarding jurisdiction. Respondent waives its right to contest the specific factual allegations contained herein, and neither admits nor denies these specific factual allegations. Respondent acknowledges that pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.15(c), and Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C § 7413(d)(2)(A), it has the right to request a hearing on any material fact, or on the appropriateness of the penalty, but Respondent waives its rights to such a hearing. Respondent also waives its right to appeal this ESA and the accompanying Final Order.

Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent has corrected the violations set forth in this ESA, and has sent a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of \$1,600.00 in payment of the full penalty amount to the following address:

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

The **Docket Number of this ESA must be included on the check.** (The Docket Number is RMP-16-ESA-005.)

This signed original ESA and a copy of the check must be sent by certified mail to:

Bob Mayhugh Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Section (SC-5J) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, and the issuance of the Final Order, Respondent's liability is resolved only for any federal civil penalties due as a result of the facts and violations alleged in this ESA. This ESA, the Final Order, and Respondent's full payment of the civil penalty set forth herein, do not affect the right of EPA to pursue appropriate injunctive, other equitable relief, or criminal sanctions for any violations of law. EPA also does not waive any enforcement authority for any other violation of the Act or any other statute. The issuance of the Final Order does not waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondent's duty to comply with the Act, the regulations promulgated thereunder, or any other applicable law or requirement.

If the signed original ESA with an attached copy of the check is not returned to the EPA Region 5 office at the above address in correct form by Respondent within 45 days of the date of

Respondent's receipt of this ESA (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 in this ESA.

This ESA is binding on the Parties signing below.

Each Party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

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

FOR RESPONDENT:

Signature:

Date: 4)11/16

Date: 3/12/2016

Name (print)! Title (print):

DIRECTOR, CORPORATE

WARD MAJAGEME

Respondent

FOR COMPLAINANT:

Richard C. Karl, Director

Superfund Division

FINAL ORDER

The foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement is hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. Respondent is hereby ORDERED to comply with all of the terms of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement, which upon its filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk shall become immediately effective. This Final Order concludes this proceeding pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Robert Kaplan, Acting Regional Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Date: 5/12/14

In the matter of: The Andersons Inc. - Arena Terminal

Docket Number: CAA-05-2016-0023

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE



I certify that I served a true and corr Agreement , which was filed on manner to the addressees:	rect copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement, this day in the following
Copy by certified mail	
return-receipt requested:	Mr. Stacy Schmidt
return-receipt requested.	Director of Corporate Hazard Management
	The Andersons Inc.
	PO Box 119
	480 W. Dussel Drive
	Maumee, OH 43537
	Widdinge, OH 43331
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Copy by e-mail to Complainant:	Steven Kaiser
Complanian.	Kaiser.steven@epa.gov
	Kaiser, steven (topa.gov
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Copy by e-mail to	Ama Covila
Regional Judicial Officer:	Ann Coyle
	coyle.ann@epa.gov
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Dated: 1/1, 2016	JaDawn Whitehead Regional Hearing Clerk LLS, Franciscon and Protection Agency, Paging 5
	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5

CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT NUMBER(S):



The Andersons Inc.

P.O. Box 119 • Maumee, Ohio 43537 • 419/893/5050

April 12, 2016

USEPA Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979077 St Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

Re:

Penalty Payment

The Andersons

Docket Nos:

CAA-RMP-2016-004

CAA-RMP-2016-005 CAA-RMP-2016-008

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$4,800.00 (3 X \$ 1,600.00) in settlement of these matters. Copies of the check have also been forwarded to the Region 5 personnel noted in the original 3/11/16 letters.

Please let me know if you need anything else in this matter. I can be reached at 419-891-2957 or stacy_schmidt@andersonsinc.com.

Sincerely,

Stacy Schmidt, MPH, MS

Director, Corporate Hazard Management