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

Mr. David Glidewell President Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company 600 Foundry Road Calera, Alabama 35040

Re: Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company

Consent Agreement and Final Order

Docket Number: EPCRA-04-2015-2042(b)

Dear Mr. Glidewell:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the above-referenced matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the parties as directed in Section 22.6 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Please refer to Section V of the CAFO for penalty information and payment requirements to ensure proper processing. The Respondent's name and Docket Number for this case, identified above and in the CAFO, should be noted on any cashier's or certified check submitted in payment of the penalty.

Also enclosed is a copy of a document entitled "Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission any environmental enforcement actions taken by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency. Where used in the document "SEC" refers to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Should you have any questions about this matter or your compliance status in the future, please contact Ms. Erika White of the EPA Region 4 staff at (404) 562-9195.

Sincerely.

Anthony G. Toney

Chief

Chemical Safety and Enforcement Branch

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IV

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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 325 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 11045, and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, Region IV, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Respondent is Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company.
- 2. The authority to take action under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045, is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under EPCRA to the Regional Administrators by EPA Delegation 22-3-A, dated May 11, 1994. The Regional Administrator, Region IV, has redelegated this authority to the Director, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, by EPA Region IV Delegation 22-3-A, dated November 8, 1994. Pursuant to that delegation, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has the authority to commence an enforcement action as the Complainant in this matter.
- 3. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18 and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

4. Respondent is Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company (Glidewell), a corporation doing business in the State of Alabama.

- 5. Respondent is a "person" and owns and operates a "facility" as those terms are defined in Section 329(7) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(7), and Section 329(4) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(4), respectively.
 - 6. Respondent's facility is located at 600 Foundry Road, Calera, Alabama 35040.

III. EPA's Allegations of Violations

Violations of Section 312 of EPCRA

- 7. Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, and the regulations found at 40 C.F.R. Part 370, provide that the owner or operator of a facility that is required to prepare or have available a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for hazardous chemicals under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) and regulations promulgated under that Act, shall submit to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), and the fire department with jurisdiction over the facility, by March 1, 1988, and on or before March 1 annually thereafter, a completed emergency and hazardous chemical inventory form (Tier I or Tier II) as described in 40 C.F.R. Part 370, containing the information required by that part for hazardous chemicals present at the facility at any one time in the calendar year in amounts equal to or greater than 10,000 pounds and containing the information required by that part for extremely hazardous substances (EHS) present at the facility at any one time in amounts equal to or greater than the threshold planning quantity (TPQ) or 500 pounds, whichever is less.
- 8. At some time during the calendar years of 2013, 2012 and 2011, isopropyl alcohol, furfuryl alcohol, toluenesulphonic acid, and carbon were each present at the facility in an amount equal to or greater than 10,000 pounds.
- 9. Isopropyl alcohol, furfuryl alcohol, toluenesulphonic acid, and carbon are each "hazardous chemicals" as that term is defined under Section 329(5) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(5), for which Respondent is required to prepare or have available a MSDS under OSHA at its facility.
- 10. EPA alleges that Respondent failed to submit a completed Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Form for isopropyl alcohol, furfuryl alcohol, toluenesulphonic acid, and carbon to the SERC, the LEPC, and fire department with jurisdiction over the facility for calendar years 2013, 2012, and 2011, by March 1 of the following calendar year.
- 11. EPA alleges that Respondent violated the reporting requirements of Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, at its facility, identified in Paragraph 7 above, for calendar years 2013, 2012, and 2011, and is therefore subject to the assessment of penalties under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045.
- 12. Pursuant to Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, EPA may assess a civil penalty of not more than \$37,500 for each violation of Section 312 that occurred after January 12, 2009, and after December 6, 2013. Each day a violation of

Section 312 continues constitutes a separate violation. Civil penalties under Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

IV. Consent Agreement

- 13. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set out above but neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set out above.
- 14. Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying the Consent Agreement.
- 15. Respondent consents to the assessment of and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.
- 16. Respondent has agreed to undertake and complete a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP).
- 17. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of EPCRA at the facility.
- 18. Compliance with the CAFO shall resolve the allegations of violations contained herein. This CAFO shall not otherwise affect any liability of Respondent to the United States other than as expressed herein. Complainant does not waive any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit, to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment, or to pursue criminal enforcement.
- 19. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public's interest and that this CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of EPCRA.

V. Final Order

- 20. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTEEN DOLLARS (\$6,114), for the violations alleged in Section III. Payment shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this CAFO.
- 21. Respondent shall pay the penalty by forwarding a cashier's or certified check, payable to: "Treasurer, United States of America," to the following address:

BY MAIL

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

BY OVERNIGHT

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Government Lockbox 979077 1005 Convention Plaza SL-MO-C2-GL St. Louis, MO 63101 (314) 418-1818 The check shall reference on its face the name and the Docket Number of the CAFO.

22. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check, and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this CAFO, to the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region IV 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Erika White U.S. EPA, Region IV Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Saundi Wilson U.S. EPA, Region IV Office of Environmental Accountability 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

23. For the purposes of state and federal income taxes, Respondent shall not be entitled, and agrees not to attempt, to claim a deduction for any civil penalty payment made pursuant to this CAFO. Any attempt by Respondent to deduct any such payments shall constitute a violation of this CAFO.

VI. Supplemental Environmental Project

24. Respondent shall undertake and complete the following Emergency Planning and Preparedness project within 45 days of the effective date of this CAFO. Respondent shall expend no less than NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY- SIX DOLLARS (\$9,176) for the purchase of the following equipment for donation to the City of Calera Fire Department:

Quantity Description

5 Portable, XG-25P, 136-174MHz, Radio Systems

This CAFO shall not be construed to constitute EPA's endorsement of the equipment or technology to be purchased by Respondent in connection with the SEP undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.

25. Respondent certifies that:

a. all cost information provided to the EPA in connection with the EPA's approval of the SEP described in paragraph 24 is complete and accurate and that Respondent in good faith estimates that the cost to implement the SEP is \$9,176;

b. the SEP is not a project that Respondent was planning or intending to construct, perform, or implement other than in settlement of the claims resolved in this CAFO.

26. Respondent also certifies that:

- a. It is not a party to any open federal financial assistance transaction that is funding or could fund the same activity as the SEP described in paragraph 24; and
- b. It has inquired of the City of Calera whether the City of Calera is a party to an open federal financial assistance transaction that is funding or could fund the same activity as the SEP and has been informed by the City of Calera that it is not a party to such a transaction.
- 27. Respondent further certifies that, as of the date this CAFO is signed, it is not required to perform or develop any part of the SEP by any federal, state or local law, regulation, permit or order, or by any agreement or grant, or as injunctive relief awarded in any other action in any forum. Respondent further certifies that, as of this date, it has not received and is not negotiating to receive, credit for any part of the SEP in any other enforcement action of any kind, and Respondent will not receive reimbursement for any portion of this SEP from another person or entity.
- 28. Respondent agrees that in order to receive credit for the SEP, it must fully and timely complete the SEP project in accordance with Paragraph 24. If Respondent does not fully and timely complete the SEP, it shall be required to pay stipulated penalties pursuant to Paragraph 29.
- 29. If Respondent fails to timely and fully complete any part of the SEP, including failure to spend the minimum amount of NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY- SIX DOLLARS (\$9,176), Respondent shall pay to the United States, a stipulated penalty of the difference between \$9,176 and the actual SEP expenditure.
- 30. For purposes of Paragraphs 28 and 29, the determination whether Respondent has fully and timely completed the SEP shall be in the sole discretion of EPA.
- 31. Any public statement, oral or written, by Respondent making any reference to the SEP shall include the following language:

"This project was undertaken in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action taken by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for violation of Section 312 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA)."

- 32. No later than sixty (60) calendar days after the effective date of this CAFO, Respondent shall submit to EPA a SEP Completion Report. The Report shall be sent to the EPCRA Enforcement Section, to the attention of Erika White at the address provided above in Paragraph 22. The Report shall include the following:
 - (a) an affidavit from an authorized company official, attesting that the SEP has been completed or explaining in detail any failure to complete it; and
 - (b) copies of appropriate documentation, including invoice and receipts, showing a total expenditure of no less than \$9,176, was spent on the Emergency Planning and Preparedness SEP described in Paragraph 24.

Upon request, Respondent shall send EPA any additional documentation requested by EPA.

- 33. If Respondent fails to timely submit a SEP Completion Report as required by this CAFO, Respondent shall pay to the United States a stipulated penalty of \$100 for each calendar day that the report is late.
- 34. Pursuant to 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. Interest will therefore begin to accrue on the civil penalty from the effective date of this CAFO if the penalty is not paid by the date required. Interest will be assessed at the rate established by the Secretary of Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717. A charge will be assessed to cover the costs of debt collection, including processing and handling costs and attorney fees. In addition, a penalty charge will be assessed on any portion of the debt that remains delinquent more than ninety (90) days after payment is due.
- 35. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
 - 36. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
- 37. The following individual is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Verne H. George U.S. EPA, Region 4 Air, Pesticides & Toxic Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-8988

38. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally bind that party to it.
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VII. Effective Date

39. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date upon which the CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.
AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:
By: David Glidewell President David Glidewell
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency By: Date: 8-14-15 Beverly H. Banister Director Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division
APPROVED AND SO ORDERED this 2 nd day of Soptember, 2015.

Tanya Floyd Regional Judicial Officer

Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company EPCRA-04-2015-2024(b)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, In the Matter of, Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company, Docket Number: EPCRA- 04-2014-2024(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Verne H. George (Via EPA's internal mail)
U.S. EPA, Region 4
Chemical Management and Emergency Planning Section
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

Robert Caplan
U.S. EPA Region 4
Office of Environmental Accountability
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

9-3-15

John Ortman (Certified Mail—Return Receipt Requested)
Glidewell Specialties Foundry Company

600 Foundry Road Calera, Alabama 35040

Date:

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-9511

(Via EPA's internal mail)