# ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENC WASHINGTON, D.C.



In re: JX Nippon Chemical Texas Inc.		Docket No. TSCA- HQ-20175003
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#### FINAL ORDER

On January 17, 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Civil Enforcement, Waste and Chemical Enforcement Division, filed a complaint against JX Nippon Chemical Texas Inc. ("JX Nippon") alleging that JX Nippon had violated the chemical data reporting ("CDR") regulations of section 8(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2607(a). The Complaint sought a penalty of \$350,000.

EPA's Consolidated Rules of Practice, codified at 40 C.F.R. part 22, govern this administrative enforcement proceeding. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a), a respondent may opt for a quick resolution of an enforcement proceeding at any time by paying the penalty proposed in the complaint. *See* 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18(a)(1) and (2). The rules further provide that upon payment in full of the penalty, in cases initiated at EPA Headquarters, the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") must issue a final order. 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a)(3).

The record demonstrates that on February 17, 2017, EPA received a cashier's check for the full amount of the penalty (\$350,000) from JX Nippon to resolve the above-captioned matter. Payment by JX Nippon constitutes a waiver of JX Nippon's right to contest the allegations in the

Complaint and to appeal this Final Order. See 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a)(3). In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a)(3), the above-captioned matter is hereby **RESOLVED**.

So ordered.1

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Date: Telavy 28, 2017

Kathie A. Stein

Environmental Appeals Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The three-member panel deciding this matter is composed of Environmental Appeals Judges Aaron P. Avila, Kathie A. Stein, and Mary Kay Lynch.

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that copies of the foregoing *Final Order* in the matter of JX Nippon Chemical Texas Inc., Docket No. TSCA-HQ-2017-5003 were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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