

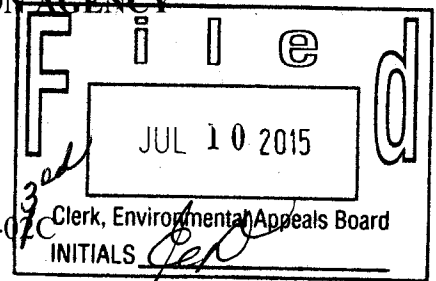
**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

In re:)

Hampford Research, Inc.)

Docket No. TSCA-HQ-2014-5013)

Appeal No. TSCA-15-073



FINAL ORDER

On June 25, 2015, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Civil Enforcement, Waste and Chemical Enforcement Division, filed a complaint against Hampford Research, Inc. ("HRI") of Stratford, Connecticut. The complaint alleged that on nearly two dozen occasions in 2011 to 2014, HRI failed to comply with subsections 5(a)(1)(A) and 5(h) of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA"), 15 U.S.C. § 2604(a)(1)(A), (h), and with regulations implementing those subsections at 40 C.F.R. §§ 720.78(b), 723.50(e), and 723.250(j), in violation of TSCA § 15(1)(B), (1)(C), and 3(B), 15 U.S.C. § 2614(1)(B), (1)(C), (3)(B). The complaint sought a penalty of \$57,474.

Under the Consolidated Rules of Practice that govern this administrative enforcement proceeding, a respondent may opt for a "quick resolution" of an enforcement proceeding at any time by paying the penalty proposed in the complaint. 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a)(1). The rules further provide that, in cases initiated at EPA Headquarters (such as this one), and upon payment in full of the proposed penalty, the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") shall issue a final order to resolve the matter. *Id.* § 22.18(a)(3).


On July 7, 2015, EPA's Office of Civil Enforcement informed the Board that it had received full payment of the penalty (\$57,474) from HRI to resolve the above-captioned matter.

Such payment by HRI constitutes a waiver of HRI's rights to contest the allegations in the complaint and to appeal this Final Order. *See id.*

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(a)(3), the Board hereby issues this Final Order resolving the above-captioned matter civilly for the facts and violations alleged in the complaint.

So ordered.¹

Date: 7/10/2015


Mary Beth Ward
Judge, Environmental Appeals Board

¹ The three-member panel that decided this matter is composed of Environmental Appeals Judges Mary Kay Lynch, Kathie A. Stein, and Mary Beth Ward.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **Final Order** in *In re Hampford Research, Inc.*, TSCA Appeal No. 15-03C, were sent to the following persons in the manners indicated:

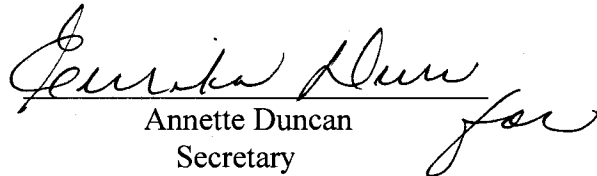
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