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In the Matter of

Orchard Park Collision, Inc.,

Respondent.

Proceeding under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act. CONSENT AGREEMENT
AND
FINAL ORDER

Docket No. TSCA-02-2008-9205

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

This administrative proceeding for the assessment of a civil penalty was instituted pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA"), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a).

The Complainant in this proceeding, the Director of the Division of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance, Region 2, United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), issued a Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Respondent, Orchard Park Collision, Inc. ("Respondent"), on December 31, 2007.

The Complaint charged Respondent with one violation of Section 6(e) of the TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2605(e), and the regulations promulgated pursuant to that Section, set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 761, relating to polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs") and Section 15(1) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2614(1).

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is Orchard Park Collision, Inc..
- Respondent owns, operates, and/or controls the facility in and around 4154 South
 Taylor Road, Orchard Park, New York (hereinafter "Respondent's facility").
- 3. By letter dated October 2, 2007, Safety-Kleen Systems Inc. notified EPA that they purchased used oil from Respondent's facility that was later determined to be contaminated with PCBs over 50 parts per million.
- 4. Respondent asserts that the oil in question did not originate from Respondent's facility, but was rather given to him for disposal by a client. Respondent further asserts he had no knowledge of any PCB contamination in the oil.
- 5. On January 10, 2008, the parties held an informal settlement conference via telephone.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Respondent, as the owner and/or operator of the facility which is the subject of the above referenced Complaint, is subject to the regulations and requirements pertaining to PCBs and PCB Items promulgated pursuant to Section 6(e) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2605(e), and set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 761.
 - 2. Respondent is a "person" within the meaning of 40 C.F.R. § 761.3.
- 3. Processing or distribution in commerce of any PCBs or any PCB Items, regardless of the concentration, without an exemption issued under 40 C.F.R. § 761.80 is a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 761.20(c), which is a violation of Section 6(e) and Section 15(1)(C) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2605(e), 2614(1)(C).

TERMS OF CONSENT AGREEMENT

Based on the foregoing, and pursuant to Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a) and in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation or Suspension of Permits", 40 C.F.R. § 22.18 (64 Federal Register 40138, 40182-83 [July 23, 1999]) (hereinafter "Consolidated Rules"), it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto, and accepted by Respondent, that Respondent voluntarily and knowingly agrees to, and shall, comply with the following terms:

- 1. Respondent shall hereinafter comply with all applicable provisions of TSCA and the regulations promulgated pursuant to it.
- 2. For the purposes of this Consent Agreement, Respondent (a) admits the jurisdictional allegations of the Complaint, and (b) neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained in the Complaint.
- 3. Respondent shall pay, by cashiers or certified check, a civil penalty in the amount of TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$ 2,500) to the "Treasurer of the United States of America". The check shall be identified with a notation of the name and docket number of this case, set forth in the caption on the first page of this document. Such check shall be mailed to:

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

Alternatively, payment may be by Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) directed to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Respondent shall provide the following information to its remitter bank:

- 1) Amount of Payment
- 2) SWIFT address: FRNYUS33, 33 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10045
- 3) Account: 68010727
- 4) ABA number: 021030004
- 5) Field Tag 4200 of the Fedwire message should read "D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency"
- 6) Name of Respondent
- 7) Docket Number

Promptly after payment has been made, Respondent shall send copies of this payment or furnish reasonable proof that such payment has been made to both:

Ann M. Finnegan, Life Scientist Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch 2890 Woodbridge Avenue, MS-105 Edison, New Jersey 08837

and

Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2
290 Broadway, 16th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Payment must be <u>received</u> at the above address (or account of EPA) on or before **45 calendar** days after the date of the signature of the Final Order at the end of this document (the date by which payment must be received shall hereinafter be referred to as the "due date").

- a. Failure to pay the penalty in full according to the above provisions will result in the referral of this matter to the U.S. Department of Justice or the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection.
- b. Further, if payment is not received on or before the due date, interest will be assessed, at the annual rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to the Debt Collection Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3717, on the overdue amount from the due date through the date of payment. In addition, a late payment handling charge of \$15.00 will be assessed for each 30 day period (or any portion thereof) following the due date in which the balance remains unpaid. A

6% per annum penalty also will be applied on any principal amount not paid within 90 days of the due date.

- 4. This Consent Agreement is being voluntarily and knowingly entered into by the parties in full and final settlement of the civil liabilities that might have attached as a result of the allegations in the Complaint. Respondent has read the Consent Agreement, understands its terms, finds it to be reasonable, and consents to its issuance and its terms. Respondent consents to the issuance of the accompanying Final Order. Respondent agrees that all terms of settlement are set forth herein.
- 5. Respondent explicitly and knowingly consents to the assessment of the civil penalty as set forth in this Consent Agreement, and agrees to pay the penalty in accordance with the terms of this Consent Agreement.
- 6. Respondent explicitly waives its right to request or to seek any Hearing on the Complaint or any of the allegations therein asserted, on this Consent Agreement or the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law herein, or the accompanying Final Order.
- 7. Respondent waives any right it may have pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 22.8 to be present during discussions with or to be served with and to reply to any memorandum or communication addressed to the Regional Administrator or the Deputy Regional Administrator where the purpose of such discussion, memorandum, or communication is to discuss a proposed settlement of this matter or to recommend that such official accept this Consent Agreement and issue the attached Final Order.

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- 8. This Consent Agreement does not waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondent's obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations.
- 9. Each undersigned signatory to this Consent Agreement certifies that he or she is duly and fully authorized to enter into and ratify this Consent Agreement and all terms and conditions set forth in this Consent Agreement.
 - 10. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees in this matter.
- 11. Respondent consents to service upon Respondent of a copy of this Consent
 Agreement and Final Order by an EPA employee other than the Regional Hearing Clerk.

RESPONDENT:

BY: teten (Bruin, President Orchard Park Collision, Inc.

NAME: PETER C. BRUIN (PLEASE PRINT)

TITLE: PRESIDENT

DATE: 3.4.08

COMPLAINANT:

Dore LaPosta, Director
Division of Enforcement and
Compliance Assistance
U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency - Region 2
290 Broadway
New York, NY 10007

DATE: MARCU 11, 2008

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of 2008, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order bearing Docket Number TSCA-02-2008-9205, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

Peter Bruin Orchard Park Collision Inc. 4154 South Taylor Road Orchard Park, NY 14127

On the same date, I mailed via EPA internal mail to the Region 2 Regional Hearing Clerk at 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007 the original and one copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order.