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### UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS) CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT REQUESTED

Christopher A. Coppula Associate General Counsel Fort Myer Construction Corporation 2237 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, NE Washington, DC 20018-1594

Re: Consent Agreement and Final Order

In the Matter Of: Fort Myer Construction Company

Docket No. RCRA-03-2012-0178

Dear Mr. Coppula:

Enclosed is a true and correct copy of the fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO") entered into between EPA, Region III, and Fort Myer Construction Company. The CAFO was filed today with the Regional Hearing Clerk. Per the terms of the CAFO, your client's cash payment of \$5,099.00 is due and payable immediately upon receipt of a true and correct copy of the CAFO.

Thanks for your help in resolving this matter amicably without litigation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (215) \$14-2474.

Sincerely,

Donzetta! W. Thomas

Sen or Assistant Regional Counsel

Enclosure: CAFO

cc: Stephen Forostiak (3LC70)

### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

#### 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

In the Matter of:	)
Fort Myer Construction Corporation 2237 33rd Street, NE	) Docket Number: RCRA-3-2012-0178
Washington, D.C. 20018-1594  RESPONDENT,	REGIONAL HEROOF
ort Myer Construction Corporation sphalt Plant No. 1 001 5th Street ashington, D.C. 20002 FACILITY.	Proceeding Under Section 9006 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e.

#### CONSENT AGREEMENT

This Consent Agreement ("CA") is entered into by the Director, Land and Chemicals Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III ("EPA" or "Complainant") and the Fort Myer Construction Corporation ("Respondent"), pursuant to Section 9006 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e, and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules"), 40 C.F.R. Part 22, including, specifically 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and .18(b)(2) and (3).

This CA and the Final Order (collectively "CAFO"), resolve violations of RCRA Subtitle 1, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, and the District of Columbia's federally authorized underground storage tank program by Respondent in connection with its underground storage tank located at 2001 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Washington, D.C. 20002, Washington, D.C. (the "Facility").

Effective May 4, 1998, pursuant to Section 9004 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991c, and 40 C.F.R. Part 281, Subpart A, the District of Columbia was granted final authorization to administer a state UST management program in lieu of the Federal UST management program established under Subtitle 1 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m. The provisions of the District

of Columbia UST management program, through this final authorization, are enforceable by EPA pursuant to Section 9006 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e. The District of Columbia's authorized UST program regulations are set forth in the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Title 20, Chapters 55 et seq., and will be cited hereinafter as 20 DCMR §§ 5500 et seq.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. For purposes of this proceeding only, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth in this CAFO.
- 2. Respondent neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations and conclusions of law set forth in this CAFO, except as provided in Paragraph 1, above. Further, nothing in this CA shall be construed as a determination by EPA that there has been any release of regulated substances from the USTs located at the Facility
- 3. Respondent agrees not to contest EPA's jurisdiction with respect to the execution of this CA, the issuance of the attached Final Order ("FO"), or the enforcement of the CAFO.
- 4. For the purposes of this proceeding only, Respondent hereby expressly waives its right to a hearing on any issue of law or fact set forth in this CA and any right to appeal the accompanying FO.
- 5. Respondent consents to the issuance of this CAFO and agrees to comply with its terms and conditions.
- 6. Respondent shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees.
- 7. The person signing this CA on behalf of the Respondent certifies to EPA by his/her signature herein that Respondent, as of the date of this CA, is in compliance with the provisions of RCRA, Subtitle 1, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, and the District of Columbia's federally authorized underground storage tank program set forth at 20 DCMR §§ 5500 et. seq. at the Facility referenced herein.
- 8. The provisions of this CAFO shall be binding upon Respondent, and its officers, directors, employees, successors and assigns.
- 9. This CAFO shall not relieve Respondent of its obligation to comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state or local law, nor shall it be construed to be a ruling on, or determination of, any issue related to any federal, state or local permit, nor does this

- CAFO constitute a waiver, suspension or modification of the requirements of RCRA Subtitle 1, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, or any regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 10. Complainant shall have the right to institute further actions to recover appropriate relief if Complainant obtains evidence that the information provided and/or representations made by Respondent to EPA regarding matters at issue in this CAFO are false or, in any material respect, inaccurate. Respondent is aware that the submission of false or misleading information to the United States government may subject Respondent to separate civil and/or criminal liability.
- 11. EPA has given the District of Columbia prior notice of the issuance of this CAFO in accordance with Section 9006(a)(2) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(a)(2).

#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 12. The United States Environmental Protection Agency Region III ("EPA" or the "Region") and EPA's Office of Administrative Law Judges have jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 9006 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e, 40 C.F.R. Part 280 and 40 C.F.R. § 22.1(a)(4) and .4(c).
- 13. Respondent is a "person" as defined in Section 9001(5) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(5), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1.
- 14. At all times relevant to this CAFO, Respondent has been the "owner" and/or "operator," as those terms are defined in Section 9001(3) and (4) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(3) and (4), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, of the "underground storage tanks" ("USTs") and "UST systems" as those terms are defined in Section 9001(10) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(10), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, located at the Facility.
- 15. On June 1, 2011, an EPA representative conducted a Compliance Evaluation Inspection ("CEI") of the Facility pursuant to Section 9005 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991d.
- 16. At the time of the June 1, 2011 CEI, and at all times relevant to the applicable violation alleged herein, the following USTs were located at the Facility:
  - (A) a ten thousand (10,000) gallon steel with fiberglass reinforced plastic tank that was installed in or about April 1985, and that, at all times relevant hereto, routinely contained and was used to store diesel fuel, a "regulated substance" as that term is defined in Section 9001(7) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(7), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1 (hereinafter "UST No. 1").

- (B) a ten thousand (10,000) gallon steel with fiberglass reinforced plastic tank that was installed in or about April 1985, and that, at all times relevant hereto, routinely contained and was used to store gasoline and/or diesel fuel, a "regulated substance" as that term is defined in Section 9001(7) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(7), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1 (hereinafter "UST No. 2").
- 17. At all times relevant to the applicable violations alleged herein, USTs No. 1 and No. 2 have been "petroleum UST systems" and "existing tank systems" as those terms are defined in 20 DCMR § 6899.1, respectively.
- 18. USTs No. 1 and No. 2 were, at all times relevant to the applicable violations alleged in this CAFO, used to store "regulated substance(s)" at Respondent's Facility, as defined in Section 9001(7) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(7), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, and have not been "empty" as that term is defined at 20 DCMR § 6100.7.

#### <u>COUNT 1</u>

#### (Failure to Provide Tank Release Detection for UST No. 2)

- 19. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 12 18, above, are incorporated herein by reference.
- 20. 20 DCMR § 6000.1 provides that each owner and operator of a new or existing UST system shall provide a method, or combination of methods, of release detection that meets the requirements described therein.
- 21. Pursuant to 20 DCMR §§ 6003.1 through 6003.5, tanks which are part of a petroleum UST system must be monitored at least every 30 days for releases using one of the methods listed in 20 DCMR §§ 6008 through 6012, except that: (1) prior to December 22, 1995, certain UST systems could have been monitored using a combination of inventory control and tank tightness testing in compliance with the requirements of 20 DCMR §§ 6005 through 6007; and (2) tanks with a capacity of 550 gallons or less may use weekly tank gauging conducted in accordance with 20 DCMR § 6006.
- 22. From at least May 31, 2010 until at least December 19, 2010, and from at least December 20, 2010 to June 29, 2011, UST No. 2 has not been monitored in compliance with any of the methods set forth in 20 DCMR § 6003.3 through 6003.5 and/or 20 DCMR §§ 6005 through 6012.

23. Respondent's acts and/or omissions as alleged in Paragraph 22, above, constitute violations of 20 DCMR §§ 6000.1 and 6003.

#### CIVIL PENALTY

- 24. In settlement of Complainant's claims for civil penalties for the violations alleged in this CA, Respondent agrees to pay a civil penalty in the amount of **Five Thousand Ninety-Nine Dollars** (\$5,099.00). The civil penalty amount is due and payable immediately upon Respondent's receipt of a true and correct copy of this CA and attached FO. If Respondent pays the entire civil penalty of \$5,099.00 within thirty (30) calendar days of the date on which this CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to Respondent, no interest will be assessed against Respondent pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a)(1).
- 25. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717 and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11, EPA is entitled to assess interest, administrative costs and late payment penalties on outstanding debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the costs of processing and handling a delinquent claim, as more fully described below.
- 26. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a), interest on any civil penalty assessed in a CAFO begins to accrue on the date that a copy of the CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to the Respondent. However, EPA will not seek to recover interest on any amount of such civil penalty that is paid within thirty (30) calendar days after the date on which such interest begins to accrue. Interest will be assessed at the rate of the United States Treasury tax and loan rate in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a).
- 27. The costs of the Agency's administrative handling of overdue debts will be charged and assessed monthly throughout the period a debt is overdue. 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(b). Pursuant to Appendix 2 of EPA's Resources Management Directives Cash Management, Chapter 9, EPA will assess a \$15.00 administrative handling charge for administrative costs on unpaid penalties for the first thirty (30) day period after the payment is due and an additional \$15.00 for each subsequent thirty (30) days the penalty remains unpaid.
- 28. A late payment penalty of six percent per year will be assessed monthly on any portion of a civil penalty which remains delinquent more than ninety (90) calendar days. 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(c). Should assessment of the penalty charge on a debt be required, it shall accrue from the first day payment is delinquent. 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(d).
- 29. The aforesaid settlement amount was based upon Complainant's consideration of a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the statutory factors of the seriousness of

Respondent's violations and any good faith efforts by Respondent to comply with all applicable requirements as provided in RCRA Section 9006(c), 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(c), and with EPA's Penalty Guidance for Violations of UST Regulations ("UST Guidance") dated November 4, 1990.

- 30. Respondent shall pay the amount described in Paragraph 24 above, by sending a certified or cashier's check payable as follows:
  - a. All payments by Respondent shall reference Respondent's name and address, and the Docket Number of this action, *i.e.*, *RCRA-03-2012-0178*;
  - b. All checks shall be made payable to "United States Treasury";
  - c. All payments made by check and sent by regular mail shall be addressed and mailed to:

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

Contact: Eric Volck, 513-487-2105 or Craig Steffen 513-487-2091

d. All payments made by check and sent by overnight delivery service shall be addressed and mailed to:

U.S. EPA - Fines and Penalties U.S. Bank Government Lockbox 979077 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2-GL St. Louis, MO 63101

Contact: (314) 418-1028

e. All payments made by check in any currency drawn on banks with no USA branches shall be addressed for delivery to:

Cincinnati Finance US EPA, MS-NWD 26 W. M.L. King Drive Cincinnati, OH 45268-0001

- 31. Respondent may also pay the amount described in Paragraph 24, above, electronically or on-line as follows:
  - a. All payments made by electronic wire transfer shall be directed to:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

ABA = 021030004

Account = 68010727

SWIFT Address = FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street

New York, NY 10045

(Field Tag 4200 of the wire transfer message should read:

"D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency")

b. All electronic payments made through the automated clearinghouse (ACH), also known as Remittance Express (REX), shall be directed to:

US Treasury REX / Cashlink ACH Receiver
ABA = 051036706
Environmental Protection Agency, Account No. 310006
CTX Format Transaction Code 22 - checking

Physical location of U.S. Treasury facility: 5700 Rivertech Court Riverdale, MD 20737

Contact: Jessie White 301-887-6548 or REX 1-866-234-5681

c. On-Line Payment Option:

#### WWW.PAY.GOV/PAYGOV

Enter sfo 1.1 in the search field. Open and complete the form.

d. Additional payment guidance is available at:

http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/make\_a\_payment.htm

A copy of Respondent's check or a copy of Respondent's electronic transfer shall be sent simultaneously to:

Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00) EPA Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103 - 2029, and

Donzetta Thomas (3RC30)
Senior Assistant Regional Counsel
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029.

#### FULL AND FINAL SATISFACTION

32. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of its claims for civil penalties pursuant to 9006(a) of RCRA. 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(a), for the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement.

#### RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

33. EPA reserves the right to commence action against any person, including Respondent, in response to any condition which EPA determines may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, public welfare, or the environment. In addition, this settlement is subject to all limitations on the scope of resolution and to the reservation of rights set forth in Section 22.18(c) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice. Further, EPA reserves any rights and remedies available to it under RCRA, the regulations promulgated thereunder, and any other federal laws or regulations for which EPA has jurisdiction, to enforce the provisions of this CAFO, following its filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

#### OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

34. Nothing in this CAFO shall relieve Respondent of any duties otherwise imposed on it by applicable federal, state or local law and/or regulations.

#### AUTHORITY TO BIND THE PARTIES

35. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this CA and bind Respondent hereto.

#### **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

36. This CA and the attached FO constitute the entire Agreement and understanding of the parties concerning settlement of the above-captioned action and there are no representations, warranties, covenants, terms or conditions agreed upon between the parties other than those expressed in this CA and the attached FO.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

37. This CA and attached FO shall become effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

For Myer Construction Corporation

Christopher A. Coppula Associate General Counsel For Complainant:

U.S. EPA, Region II

Donzetta Thomas (3RC50)

Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

After reviewing the foregoing Consent Agreement and other pertinent information, the Land and Chemicals Division, EPA Region III, recommends that the Regional Administrator or the Regional Judicial Officer issue the Final Order attached hereto.

By:

Abraham Ferdas, Director Land and Chemicals Division,

U.S. EPA, Region III

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

#### 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

In the Matter of:				
Fort Myer Construction Corporation 2237 33 <sup>rd</sup> Street, NE	) Docket Number: RCRA-3-2012-0178			
Washington, D.C. 20018-1594	Proceeding Under Section 9006 of the			
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#### FINAL ORDER

Complainant, the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region III, and Respondent, Fort Myer Construction Corporation have executed a document entitled "Consent Agreement" which I hereby ratify as a Consent Agreement in accordance with the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules of Practice"), 40 C.F.R. Part 22. The terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement are accepted by the undersigned and incorporated herein as if set forth at length.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO Section 22.18(b)(3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice and Section 9006(c) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(c)("RCRA"), and having determined, based on the representations of the parties in the

attached Consent Agreement, that the civil penalty agreed to therein was based upon a consideration of the factors set forth in Section 9006(c) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C.§ 6991e(c), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent pay a civil penalty of Five Thousand Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$5,099.00) in accordance with the payment provisions set forth in the attached Consent Agreement and comply with each of the additional terms and conditions as specified in the attached Consent Agreement.

The effective date of this Final Order and the accompanying Consent Agreement is the date on which the Final Order, signed by the Regional Administrator of U.S. EPA Region III or the Regional Judicial Officer, is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk of U.S. EPA - Region III.

Date: 6/7//2

Renée Sarajian

Regional Judicial Officer U.S. EPA, Region III

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on the date listed below, the original and one copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, Docket No. RCRA-03-2012-0178, was filed with the EPA Region III Regional Hearing Clerk, and that a correct copy of the same was sent in the following manner to the person listed below:

#### Via United Parcel Service to:

Christopher A. Coppula Associate General Counsel Fort Myer Construction Corporation 2237 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, NE Washington, DC 20018-1594

Donzetta W Thomas (3RC30)

Counsel for Complainant

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (215) 814-2474