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In the Matter of	Hearing Cler
Amazon.com Services LLC 6925 Riverview Avenue) Docket No. RCRA-07-2022-0131
Kansas City, Kansas 66102) EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT
EPA ID: KSR191708275) AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER
Respondent.	,)

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("Agreement" or "ESA") pursuant to Section 3008(a) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 2) The EPA has provided the State of Kansas with notice of the referenced violations of Subtitle C of RCRA as required by Section 3008(a)(2).
- Amazon.com Services LLC ("Respondent") is the owner or operator of the facility located at 6925 Riverview Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas ("Facility"). The EPA inspected the Facility, on July 20-21, 2021. As a result of the findings during the inspection and additional investigation, the EPA alleges that Respondent violated the following requirements of the RCRA hazardous waste management program:
 - a. The regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 262.34(a), incorporated by K.A.R 28-31-262, state that a generator may accumulate hazardous waste on-site for ninety (90) days or less without a permit or without interim status, provided the conditions listed in 40 C.F.R. §§ 262.34(a)(1)-(4) are met. If a generator fails to comply with any of these conditions, the generator is not allowed to accumulate hazardous waste at their facility for any length of time. Because Respondent failed to conditions described below, Respondent was not authorized to accumulate hazardous waste at the satellite accumulation areas for any length of time, and therefore was operating a hazardous waste storage facility without a permit in violation of Section 3005 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6925.
 - i. The regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 262.34(a) require, in part, that the generator comply with 40 C.F.R. Part 265, Subpart D. 40 C.F.R. § 265.52(f), as found in 40 C.F.R. Part 265, Subpart D, requires that a facility's contingency plan must include an evacuation plan for facility personnel where there is a possibility that evacuation could be necessary. This plan must describe signal(s) to be

used to begin evacuation, evacuation routes, and alternate evacuation routes (in cases where the primary routes could be blocked by releases of hazardous waste or fires). At the time of the inspection, the EPA determined that the contingency plan did not include the evacuation routes, alternate routes, or a description of the signal, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 265.52(f).

- ii. The regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 262.34(a) require, in part, that the generator comply with 40 C.F.R. Part 265, Subpart I. 40 C.F.R. § 265.177(c), as found in 40 C.F.R. Part 265, Subpart I, requires that a storage container holding a hazardous waste that is incompatible with any waste or other materials stored nearby in other containers, piles, open tanks, or surface impoundments must be separated from the other materials or protected from them by means of a dike, berm, wall, or other device. At the time of the inspection, the EPA determined that the Respondent stored incompatibles without separation (one pallet storing two 55-gallon HW storage drums of caustic waste and one 55-gallon drums of acidic waste), in violation of 40 C.F.R § 265.177(c).
- b. K.A.R. 28-31-4(c) requires that each facility update the information associated with the facility's EPA identification number if there is a change in the information. At the time of the EPA inspection, the EPA determined that Respondent did not provide updated notification for waste code U240, in violation of K.A.R. 28-31-4(c).
- In determining the amount of the penalty to be assessed, EPA has taken into account the factors specified in Section 3008 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928. After considering these factors, EPA has determined and Respondent agrees that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,750) is in the public interest. Respondent certifies that it has provided a deposit for payment for the full civil penalty amount, and that such payment identified Respondent by name and docket number, was made by certified or cashier's check made payable to the "United States Treasury" and sent to:

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

or by alternate payment method described at http://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment.

5) A copy of the check or other information confirming payment shall simultaneously be emailed to the following:

Regional Hearing Clerk R7_Hearing_Clerk_Filings@epa.gov; and

Milady Peters, Paralegal peters.milady@epa.gov.

- In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (1) admits that Respondent is subject to RCRA and its implementing regulations; (2) admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein, (3) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; (4) consents to the assessment of this penalty; (5) agrees to release funds held on deposit as payment to the EPA for the civil penalty upon final EPA approval of this Agreement; (6) waives the opportunity for a hearing to contest any issue of fact or law set forth herein; (7) waives its right to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Agreement pursuant to Section 3008(b) of RCRA; and (8) consents to electronic service of the filed ESA to the following email address: ncreyj@amazon.com. Respondent understands that the ESA will become publicly available upon filing.
- Py its signature below Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that: (1) the alleged violations have been corrected, (2) it is presently in compliance with all requirements of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6901 et. seq., its implementing regulations, and any permit issued pursuant to RCRA, and (3) Respondent is submitting proof of payment of the civil penalty with this Agreement.
- 8) The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and Final Order and to execute and legally bind Respondent to it. Upon the effective date of this Agreement, payment of the civil penalty shall constitute full settlement of the civil claims alleged herein.
- 9) EPA reserves all of its rights to take an enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations by Respondent of RCRA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.
- Full payment of the civil penalty shall only resolve Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged herein. The EPA reserves the right to take any enforcement action with respect to any other past, present, or future violations of RCRA or any other applicable law.
- 11) The penalty specified herein shall represent civil penalties assessed by EPA and shall not be deductible for purposes of Federal, State and local taxes.
- 12) Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.
- 13) This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below.

IT IS SO AGREED,

Josh Lingenfelser	
Name (print)	
General Manager,	MKC6
Title (print)	
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Signature	Date

APPROVED BY EPA:		
Candace Bednar Chemical Branch Chief Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division	Date	
Britt Bieri, Attorney Office of Regional Counsel	Date	

FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to the authority of Section 3008(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a), and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits, 40 C.F.R. Part 22, the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement resolving this matter is hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order.

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), the effective date of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

IT IS SO ORDERED.		
	Date	
Karina Borromeo Regional Judicial Officer		

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE To be completed by EPA

I certify that that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement

Agreement and Final Order, EPA Docket No. RCRA-07-2022-0131, was sent this day in the following manner to the following addressees:
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Dated this,

Signed