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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Mr. Allen Herman Jabel Incorporated 265 Coit Street Irvington, New Jersey 07111

Re: In the Matter of Jabel Incorporated Docket No. TSCA-02-2007-9111

Dear Mr. Herman:

Enclosed is a fully executed copy of the Administrative Consent Agreement and Final Order in the above-referenced proceeding, signed by the Regional Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2.

Please note that the forty-five (45) day period for payment of the civil penalty commenced as of the date this Consent Agreement was signed by the Regional Administrator. Please arrange for payment of this penalty according to the instructions given within the enclosed document under "Terms of Consent Agreement". Further, please ensure that a copy of your payment check is mailed to the EPA staff member listed in that section of the Agreement.

Please contact Mr. Chester Norman of my staff at (732) 906-6811, should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Laure Thompson Kenneth S. Stoller, P.E., QEP, DEE

Chief

Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch

Enclosure

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 30th day of August 2007,

I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order bearing Docket Number TSCA-02-2007-9111, by certified mail, return receipt requested,

to:

Mr. Allen Herman Jabel Incorporated 265 Coit Street Irvington, New Jersey 07111

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.

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In the Matter of :

Jabel Incorporated, : CONSENT AGREEMENT
Respondent. : AND
FINAL ORDER
Proceeding under Section 16(a) of : Docket No.
the Toxic Substances Control Act. : TSCA-02-2007-9111

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, Jabel Incorporated ("Respondent"), on March 22, 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 Jabel Incorporated.
- 2. Respondent owns, operates, and/or controls the facility in and around 365 Coit Street in Irvington, New Jersey (hereinafter "Respondent's facility").
- 3. On or about July 5, 2006, duly designated representatives of the EPA conducted an inspection of and at Respondent's facility.
- 4. Respondent failed to identify PCB waste submitted to Cycle Chem Inc. on March 23, 2006 for off-site disposal on EPA Manifest form 8700-22 in accordance with the specifications and requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 761.207(a).
- 5. Respondent failed to mark PCB High Voltage Capacitors with the PCB mark M_L , in accordance with the specifications and requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 761.40(a)(10).
 - 6. On May 9, 2007, the parties met for an informal settlement conference.

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. Failure to identify PCB waste submitted for off-site disposal on EPA Manifest form 8700-22 is a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 761.207(a), which is a violation of Section 6(e) and Section 15(1)(C) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2605(e), 2614(1)(C).
- 4. Failure to mark a PCB waste storage area with the PCB mark M_L is a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 761.40, 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 cashier's or certified check, a civil penalty in the amount of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)**, payable 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:

EPA Region 2 (Regional Hearing Clerk) P.O. Box 360188M Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251

Respondent shall also send copies of this payment to each of the following:

Chester Norman, MS-105
Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch
2890 Woodbridge Avenue
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 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.
 - 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:

(PLEASE PRINT)

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COMPLAINANT:

Dore LaPosta, Director

Division of Enforcement and

Compliance Assistance

U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency - Region 2

290 Broadway

New York, NY 10007

DATE:

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FOR ON

<u>In the Matter of Jabel Incorporated</u>

<u>Docket Number TSCA-02-2007-9111</u>

FINAL ORDER

The Regional Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2, ratifies the foregoing Consent Agreement. The Agreement, entered into by the parties in full settlement of EPA's Complaint bearing Docket No. TSCA-02-2007-9111, issued in the matter of Jabel Incorporated, is hereby approved, incorporated herein, and issued as an Order. The effective date of this Order shall be the date of filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA Region 2, New York, New York.

DATE

Alan J. Steinberg

Regional Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Region 2

290 Broadway

New York, New York 10007