

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Mr. Dennis Jones Matt Jones Construction Co., Inc. 1200 North Highway 1793 Goshen, KY 40026

SUBJ: Consent Agreement and Final Order Docket No. CWA-04-2007-4520(b) Pond Creek Subdivision Goshen, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed please find a fully executed copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order which has been finalized by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Regional Judicial Officer. Please make note of the provisions under Section IV. <u>Payment</u>.

Should you have any questions or problems, please contact Mr. Namon Mathews at (404) 562-9777.

Sincerely,

Douglas F. Mundrick, P.E., Chief Water Programs Enforcement Branch

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Water Management Division

Enclosure

cc: Kentucky Department for Environmental
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Lousiville and Jefferson County Metropolitan
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CONSENT AGREEMENT

I. Statutory Authority

- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits, including Subpart I, published at 64 Fed. Reg. 40176 (July 23, 1999) and codified at 40 Code of Federal Regulations ("C.F.R.") Part 22.
- 2. The authority to take action under Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), is vested in the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"). The Administrator has delegated this authority to the Regional Administrator, Region 4, who in turn has delegated this authority to the Director of the Water Management Division, who in turn has delegated this authority to the Chief of the Water Programs Enforcement Branch of EPA, Region 4 ("Complainant").

II. Allegations

- 3. At all times relevant to this action, Matt Jones Construction Co., Inc. ("Respondent"), was a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and is, therefore, a "person" within the meaning of Section 502(5) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(5).
- 4. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent owned and/or operated a construction site known as Pond Creek Subdivision ("Facility") located at North Highway 1793, Goshen, Kentucky.
- 5. To accomplish the objective of the CWA, defined in Section 101(a) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1251(a), as to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's waters, Section 301(a) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), prohibits the discharge of

pollutants by any person into waters of the United States except as in compliance with a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit issued pursuant to Section 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1342.

- 6. Section 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1342, establishes an NPDES Permit Program authorizing EPA or authorized states to administer the NPDES Permit Program, including the issuance of NPDES permits allowing for the discharge of pollutants, including storm water, into navigable waters subject to specific terms and conditions. EPA has granted the Commonwealth of Kentucky through the Department for Environmental Protection ("KDEP") approval to issue NPDES permits pursuant to Section 402(b) of the CWA.
- 7. The KDEP issued a *General KPDES Permit for Storm Water Point Source Discharges, Construction Activities* ("Permit"), Permit No. KYR10, in accordance with the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statues Chapter 224 16-050 and pursuant to 401 Kentucky Administrative Regulations ("KAR") 5:055, Sections 1 and 5 and the CWA. The Permit was effective October 1, 2002, and expires September 30, 2007.
- 8. The KDEP is responsible for the issuance, compliance and enforcement of Kentucky Revised Statues Chapter 224 16-050 and 401 KAR 5:055, Sections 1 and 5, and the approval of coverage under the Permit upon submission and approval of a Notice of Intent ("NOI") requesting Permit coverage.
- 9. On June 14, 2006, Respondent submitted an NOI and received permit coverage from KDEP.
 - 10. Part II of the Permit incorporates 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1 by reference.
 - A. 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(4) requires the Permittee to take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of the Permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.
 - B. 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(5) of the Permit requires the Permittee to properly operate and maintain at all times all facilities and systems of treatment and control and related appurtenances which are installed or used by the Permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of the Permit. This provision shall require the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a Permittee only if they operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the Permit.
- 11. Part IV.B.3 of the Permit requires the Permittee to install management devices during construction to control the pollutants in storm water discharges that will occur after construction has been completed. Velocity dissipation devices shall be placed at discharge

locations and along the length of any outfall channel as necessary to provide a non-erosive flow so that the original physical and biological characteristics and functions of the receiving waters are maintained and protected. The installation of management devices may be subject to Section 404 of the CWA.

- 12. Part IV.F of the Permit requires the Permittee to ensure that qualified personnel inspect all storm water control measures, discharge locations, vehicle exits, disturbed areas of the construction site and material storage areas at least once every seven days (and within 24 hours of the end of a storm that is 0.5 inches or greater), and areas that have been temporarily or finally stabilized at least once a month. The Permittee shall make a report summarizing the scope of the inspection, names and qualifications of personnel making the inspection, the date of the inspection, major observations relating to the implementation of the Best Management Plan ("BMP") Plan, and any corrective actions taken shall be made and kept as part of the BMP Plan for at least three years after the date of the inspection, or until one year after coverage under the Permit ends. The reports shall also be signed in accordance with Part II of the Permit and 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(11).
- 13. On October 25, 2006, representatives of EPA in conjunction with the KDEP and the Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District performed a Compliance Storm Water Evaluation Inspection ("CSWEI") at Respondent's Facility. EPA's CSWEI was to evaluate the treatment and disposal of storm water at the facility in accordance with the CWA, the regulations promulgated thereunder at 40 Code of Federal Regulations ("C.F.R.") § 122.26, and the KDEP Permit.
- 14. As a result of the CSWEI, EPA, Region 4 has determined that Respondent discharged storm water associated with industrial activity from its Facility within the meaning of Section 402(p) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1342(p), and its implementing regulations.
 - 15. During the CSWEI, EPA inspectors observed the following:
 - A. Respondent failed to take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment, as required by Part II of the Permit and 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(4). Sediment was deposited off-site into Pond Creek at the rear of the treated wood detention basin located off of Street A, at lot 24 on the northeast side of the site.
 - B. Respondent failed to reduce the pollutants in storm water discharges by properly operating and maintaining all facilities and systems of treatment and control and related appurtenances in accordance with Part II of the Permit and 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(5). The rock check dam located off of Street A, at lot 21 was full with sediment and in need of maintenance; silt fence was down and in need of maintenance adjacent to the rock check dam located off

of Street A, at lot 21, off of Street A, at lot 24, adjacent to the treated wood detention basin and off of Street B near lot 13 adjacent to the treated wood detention basin; the treated wood detention basins off of Street A, at lot 24 and off of Street B near lot 13 were improperly installed. The bottom of both basins at the center where the outfall is located was not properly trenched into the ground and there was no rip rap installed at the outfall as indicated on the erosion plan.

- C. Respondent failed to ensure that qualified personnel inspected all storm water control measures, discharge locations, vehicle exits, disturbed areas of the construction site and material storage areas at least once every seven days (and within 24 hours of the end of a storm that is 0.5 inches or greater) and areas that have been temporarily or finally stabilized at least once a month in accordance with Part IV.F of the Permit.
- D. Respondent failed to make a report summarizing the scope of the inspection, names and qualifications of personnel making the inspection, the date of the inspection, major observations relating to the implementation of the BMP Plan, and any corrective actions taken shall be made and kept as a part of the BMP Plan for at least three years after the date of the inspection, or until one year after coverage under the Permit ends. The report shall be signed in accordance with Part II of the Permit and 401 KAR 5:065 Section 1(11)].
- 16. Therefore, Respondent has violated Sections 301 and 402(p) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311 and 1342(p), by failing to comply with the Permit.

III. Stipulations and Findings

- 17. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18 and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CA/FO") will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.
- 18. For the purposes of this CA/FO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set out above and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set out above.
- 19. Respondent hereby waives its right to contest the allegations set out above and its right to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Consent Agreement.
- 20. Respondent consents to the assessment of and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CA/FO and consents to the other conditions set forth in this CA/FO.

- 21. By signing this CA/FO, Respondent certifies that the information it has supplied concerning this matter was at the time of submission, and is, truthful, accurate, and complete for each such submission, response and statement. Respondent realizes that there are significant penalties for submitting false or misleading information, including the possibility of fines and/or imprisonment for knowing submission of such information.
- 22. EPA reserves the right to assess and collect any and all civil penalties for any violation described herein to the extent that any information or certification provided by Respondent was materially false or inaccurate at the time such information or certification was provided to EPA.
- 23. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CA/FO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this CA/FO is consistent with the applicable requirements of the CWA.

IV. Payment

- 24. Pursuant to Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, and considering the nature of the violations and other relevant factors, EPA has determined that five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200.00) is an appropriate civil penalty to settle this action.
- 25. Respondent shall submit payment of the penalty specified in the preceding paragraph within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this CA/FO via a cashier's or certified check, payable to the order of "Treasurer, United States of America." The check shall reference on its face the name of Respondent and the Docket Number of this CA/FO. Such payment shall be tendered to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Accounting Operations Mellon Lockbox 371099M Pittsburgh, PA 15251-7099

26. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check, and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this CA/FO, to the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

and

Mary Mattox U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Water Programs Enforcement Branch Water Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

- 27. The penalty amount specified above shall represent civil penalties assessed by EPA and shall not be deductible for purposes of federal taxes.
- 28. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 13 and 31 U.S.C. § 3717 et seq., if EPA does not receive payment of the penalty assessed by this CA/FO in full by its due date, interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance from the due date through the date of payment at an annual rate equal to the rate of the current value of funds to the United States Treasury as prescribed and published by the Secretary of the Treasury. If all or part of the payment is overdue, EPA will assess a late-payment handling charge of \$15.00, with an additional delinquent notice charge of \$15.00 for each subsequent thirty (30) day period. EPA will also assess on a monthly basis an up to six percent (6%) per annum penalty on any principal amount not paid within ninety (90) days of the due date.
- 29. Pursuant to Section 309(g)(9) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(9), failure by Respondent to pay the penalty assessed by the CA/FO in full by its due date may subject Respondent to a civil action to collect the assessed penalty plus interest (at currently prevailing rates from the effective date of this CA/FO), attorney's fees, costs for collection proceedings and a quarterly nonpayment penalty for each quarter during which such failure to pay persists. Such nonpayment penalty shall be in an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the aggregate amount of such penalty and nonpayment penalty which are unpaid as of the beginning of such quarter. In any such collection action, the validity, amount and appropriateness of the penalty and of this CA/FO shall not be subject to review.

V. General Provisions

- 30. This CA/FO 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. Other than as expressed herein, compliance with this CA/FO shall not be a defense to any actions subsequently commenced pursuant to federal laws and regulations administered by EPA.
- 31. Nothing in this CA/FO shall be construed as prohibiting, altering, or in any way limiting the ability of the United States to seek any other remedies or sanctions available by virtue of Respondent's violation of this CA/FO or of the statutes and regulations upon which this CA/FO is based, or for Respondent's violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit.

- 32. Except as otherwise set forth herein, this CA/FO constitutes a settlement by Complainant and Respondent of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to the CWA with respect to only those violations alleged in this CA/FO. Except as otherwise set forth herein, compliance with this CA/FO shall resolve the allegations of violations contained herein. Nothing in this CA/FO is intended to nor shall be construed to operate in any way to resolve any criminal liability of Respondent, or other liability resulting from violations that were not alleged in this CA/FO. Other than as expressed herein, Complainant does not waive any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit, to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment, or to pursue criminal enforcement.
- 33. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CA/FO certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this CA/FO and to execute and legally bind that party to it.
- 34. This CA/FO applies to and is binding upon Respondent and its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns.
- 35. Any change in the legal status of Respondent, including but not limited to any transfer of assets of real or personal property, shall not alter Respondent's responsibilities under this CA/FO.
- 36. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees in connection with the action resolved by this CA/FO.
- 37. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.5, the individuals below are authorized to receive service relating to this proceeding.

For Complainant:

Laurie D. Dubriel
Associate Regional Counsel
Office of Environmental Accountability
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960
(404) 562-9574.

For Respondent:

Dennis Jones, President Matt Jones Construction Co., Inc. 1200 North Highway 1793 Goshen, KY 40026 (502) 228-3765

- 38. The parties acknowledge and agree that this CA/FO is subject to the requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 22.45(c)(4), which provides a right to petition to set aside a consent agreement and proposed final order based on comments received during the public comment period.
- 39. Pursuant to Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.38(b), Complainant represents that the Commonwealth of Kentucky was provided a prior opportunity to consult with Complainant regarding this matter.

VI. Effective Date

Date: 4/21/01

Date: 4-10-07

40. The effective date of this CA/FO shall be the date on which the CA/FO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

For COMPLAINANT, U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY:

Douglas F. Mundrick, P.E., Chief Water Programs Enforcement Branch

Water Management Division

U.S. EPA, Region 4

For RESPONDENT, MATT JONES CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.:

Dennis Jones, President

Matt Jones Construction Co., Inc.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

IN THE MATTER OF:	
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FINAL ORDER

In accordance with the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits, including Subpart I, 40 C.F.R. Part 22, and authorities delegated to me, the foregoing Consent Agreement is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. Pursuant to Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), Respondent is hereby ordered to comply with the terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement.

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Date: June 18, 2007

Susan B. Schub

Regional Judicial Officer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the attached **CONSENT**

AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER in the matter of Matt Jones Construction Co., Inc., Pond

Creek S/D, Docket No. CWA-04-2007-4520(b) (filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on

persons listed below.

By hand-delivery:

Laurie D. Dubriel

Associate Regional Counsel

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

By certified mail,

return receipt requested:

Mr. Dennis Jones

Matt Jones Construction Company, Inc.

1200 North Highway 1793

Goshen, KY 40026

Ms. Susan Rose Green, Director

Division of Enforcement

Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection

14 Reilly Road

Frankfort, KY 40601

Ms. Patricia A. Bullock Regional Hearing Clerk

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

Sam Nunn Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

(404) 562-9511

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