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David Rollins, Owner d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC 30 South Loop Drive Stanford, KY 40484

SUBJ: Docket No. FIFRA-04-2008-3038(b)

David Rollins d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC

Dear Mr. Rollins:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the above-referenced matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the parties as directed in Section 22.6 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

As stated in Section IV of the CAFO, the assessed penalty of \$100 is due within 30 days from the effective date. Please ensure that the face of your cashier's or certified check includes the name of the company and the docket number of this case.

Penalty payment questions should be directed to Ms. Lori Weidner either by telephone at (513) 487-2125 or by written correspondence to her attention at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Cincinnati Accounting Operations address identified in the CAFO. Should you have any questions about this matter or your compliance status in the future, please call me at (404) 562-8979 or Ms. Patricia Livingston at (404) 562-9171.

Also enclosed is a copy of a document entitled "Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) any environmental enforcement actions taken by EPA.

Sincerely.

Chief

Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch

Enclosures

cc:

Dale Anderson

KY Department of Agriculture

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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David Rollins)	Docket No. FIFRA-04-2008-3038(b)
d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC)	
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Respondent.)	

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Federal Insecticide,
 Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a) (hereinafter "FIFRA"),
 and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment
 of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits
 (Consolidated Rules), 40 CFR Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides,
 and Toxics Management Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency,
 Region 4 (EPA). Respondent is David Rollins, d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC.
- 2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 CFR § 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 CFR § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

- 3. The authority to take action under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a), is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under FIFRA to EPA Region 4 by EPA Delegation 5-14, dated May 11, 1994.
- 4. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.5(c)(4) the following individual represents EPA in this matter and is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Patricia Livingston Pesticides Management Section U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960 (404) 562-9171.

III. Specific Allegations

- 5. Respondent is David Rollins, d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC, located at 30 South Loop Drive, Stanford, Kentucky, 40484.
- 6. Respondent is a "person" as defined by Section 2(s) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(s), and as such is subject to FIFRA and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 7. On or about March 10, 2008, an authorized representative of the EPA conducted an inspection at the home of David Rollins, where the business Cedar Creek Violets, LLC, is located at 30 South Loop Drive, Stanford, KY, 40484.
- 8. During the aforementioned inspection, five products were identified as being repackaged and sold by the Respondent as follows:
 - Gnatrol, EPA Reg. #73049-11
 - Conserve, EPA Reg. #62719-291
 - Avid, EPA Reg. #100-896
 - Admire Pro, EPA Reg. #264-758
 - Marathon 1% Granules, EPA Reg. #3125-452.

- 9. Gnatrol, Conserve, Avid, Admire Pro, and Marathon 1% Granules are pesticides as defined in Section 2(u) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(u), which includes any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest.
- 10. A pest is defined in Section 2(t) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. §136(t), as any insect, rodent, nematode, fungus, weed, or any other form of terrestrial or aquatic plant or animal life or virus, bacteria, or other micro-organism (except viruses, bacteria, or other microorganisms on or in living man or other living animals) which the Administrator declares to be a pest under Section 25(c)(1) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136w(c)(1).
- At the time of the inspection, five pesticides (Gnatrol, Conserve, Avid, Admire Pro, Marathon 1% Granules) were not registered pesticides in that they were being repackaged in a manner not prescribed by the registrant.
- 12. According to FIFRA 12(a)(1)(A), it is unlawful to distribute or sell any pesticide that is unregistered.
- 13. Respondent violated Section 12(a)(1)(A) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(A), and is therefore subject to the assessment of civil penalties under Section 14 of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l.
- 14. At the time of the inspection, five pesticides (Gnatrol, Conserve, Avid, Admire Pro, Marathon 1% Granules) were misbranded in that the containers into which they were repackaged did not bear accepted pesticide labels.
- 15. According to FIFRA 12(a)(1)(E), a pesticide is misbranded if its label does not bear the name and address of the producer, registrant, or other person for whom the product was produced; the net weight; the net contents; the product registration number; the producing

- establishment number; an ingredient statement; hazard and precautionary statements; directions for use; and the pesticide use classification.
- 16. Under Section 12(a)(1)(E) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(E), it is unlawful for any person in any State to distribute or sell to any person any pesticide which is misbranded.
- 17. Respondent violated Section 12 (a)(1)(E) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(1)(E) and is therefore subject to the assessment of civil penalties under Section 14 of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l.
- 18. At the time of the inspection, Respondent produced the five pesticides (Gnatrol, Conserve, Avid, Admire Pro, Marathon 1% Granules) in an establishment that was not registered with the Administrator of EPA as a pesticide-producing establishment.
- 19. Under Section 12(a)(2)(L) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(2)(L), it is unlawful to produce a pesticide in any State unless the establishment is registered with the Administrator of EPA as set forth in Section 7 of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136e.
- 20. Respondent violated Section 12(a)(2)(L) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(2)(L) and is therefore subject to the assessment of civil penalties under Section 14 of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l.
- 21. Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a), in conjunction with the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, authorizes the assessment of a civil penalty.
- 22. Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)(4), requires EPA to consider the appropriateness of the assessed penalty to the size of business of the Respondent, the effect on Respondent's ability to continue in business, and the gravity of the violation.
- After consideration of the factors set forth in Section 14(a)(4) of FIFRA,
 U.S.C. § 136l(a)(4), the EPA proposes to assess a total civil penalty of

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) against the Respondent for the above-described violations. Civil penalties under Section 14(a) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136*l*(a), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

IV. Consent Agreement

- 24. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth above and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations.
- 25. Respondent waives its right to a hearing on the allegations contained herein and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying the consent agreement.
- 26. Respondent consents to the assessment of the penalty proposed by EPA and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.
- 27. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of FIFRA.
- 28. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to Section 14 of FIFRA, for the specific violations alleged herein. Except as specifically provided in this CAFO, EPA reserves all other civil and criminal enforcement authorities, including the authority to address imminent hazards. Compliance with this CAFO shall not be a defense to any other actions subsequently commenced pursuant to Federal laws and regulations administered by EPA, and it is Respondent's responsibility to comply with said laws and regulations.
- 29. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO.
 The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this
 CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of FIFRA.

V. Final Order

- 30. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) which shall be paid within 30 days from the effective date of this CAFO.
- 31. Respondent shall remit the civil penalty by either a cashier's or certified check made payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," and shall send the check to the following address by U.S. Postal Service:

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

The check shall reference on its face the name of the Respondent and Docket Number assigned to this CAFO.

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

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

Patricia Livingston
Pesticides Management Section
U.S. EPA Region 4
61 Forsyth Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

and

Saundi Wilson
Office of Environmental Accountability
U.S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

- 33. For the purposes of state and federal income taxation, Respondent shall not be entitled, and agrees not to attempt, to claim a deduction for any civil penalty payment made pursuant to this CAFO. Any attempt by Respondent to deduct any such payments shall constitute a violation of this CAFO.
- 34. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717, EPA is entitled to assess interest and penalties on debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the cost of processing and handling a delinquent claim. Interest will therefore begin to accrue on the civil penalty from the date of entry of this CAFO, if the penalty is not paid by the date required. A charge will also be assessed to cover the administrative costs, both direct and indirect, of overdue debts. In addition, a late payment penalty charge shall be applied on any principal amount not paid within 90 days of the due date.
- 35. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
- 36. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
- 37. The undersigned representative of the party to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally binds that party to this CAFO.

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VI. Effective Date

38. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date on which the CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

Regional Judicial Officer

Respo	ondent: David Rollins, d/b/a Ced	lar Creek Violet	s, LLC				
Ву:	Dad Pale	(Signature)	Date: 8-11-08				
Name	: DAvid Rollins	(Typed or Pri	inted)				
Title:	Ouver	(Typed or Printed)					
Comp	Complainant: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency						
Ву:	Beverly H. Banister Director Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960		Date: <u>9/8/08</u>				
APPR	ROVED AND SO ORDERED this	<i>+</i> ₹ day of <i>0 ⊙</i>	لمض , 2008.				
Ву:	Sus- S. Sidus						
	Susan B. Schub						

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the date set out below, I filed the original and one copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order and served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, In the Matter of David Rollins d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC., Docket Number: FIFRA-04-2008-3038(b), to the addressees listed below.

David Rollins d/b/a Cedar Creek Violets, LLC 30 South Loop Drive Stanford, KY 40484 (via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested)

Patricia Livingston
Pesticides Management Section
U.S. EPA Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

(via EPA's internal mail)

Robert Caplan
Office of Environmental Accountability
U.S. EPA Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

(via EPA's internal mail)

Date: 10-14-08

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth St., SW Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-9511

EPA ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CONTROL NUMBER FORM

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	Department of Justice RM 1647 P.O. Box 7611, Benjamin Franklin Station Washington, D.C. 20044					
B. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS</u> : Copies of this form with an attached copy of the front page of the Administrative Order should be to						
1.	Originating Office	3.	Designate	ed Program Office		
2	Regional Hearing Clerk	4.		Counsel (EAD)		