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Ms. Paula Kopcho, Controller
Solar Compounds Corporation
1201 W. Blancke Street
Linden, New Jersey 07036

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Re: Notice of Opportunity with Respect to Enforcement Action under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act for:
Solar Compounds Corporation, 1201 W. Blancke Street, Linden, New Jersey 07036
TRI Facility ID: 07036SLRCM1201W
Docket Number: EPCRA-02-2017-4101

Dear Ms. Kopcho:

Enclosed is a copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order in the above referenced proceeding, signed by the Regional Judicial Officer of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2.

Please note that the forty-five (45) day period for the payment of the civil penalty commences as of the date this Final Order is signed by the Regional Judicial Officer. Please arrange for payment of this penalty according to the instructions given in the Consent Agreement (see "Terms of Consent Agreement"). Specifically, please remember to send a copy of the company's payment check to the Complainant, as detailed in the Consent Agreement.

Sincerely yours,

John Gorman, Chief
Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Bill Lowry
NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Compliance Support and Pollution Prevention
401 East State St., 4th Floor
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In the Matter of :
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Solar Compounds Corporation :
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Respondent. :
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Proceeding under Section 325(c) of Title III :
of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act :
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CONSENT AGREEMENT
AND
FINAL ORDER
DOCKET NUMBER
EPCRA-02-2017-4101

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

This administrative proceeding for the assessment of a civil penalty was instituted pursuant to Section 325(c) of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, 42 U.S.C. § 11001 et seq. [also known as the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (hereinafter, "EPCRA")].

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b) of 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 (July 1, 2000)) where the parties agree to settlement of one or more causes of action before the filing of an Administrative Complaint, a proceeding may be simultaneously commenced and concluded by the issuance of a Consent Agreement and Final Order pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18(b)(2) and (3).

The Director of the Division of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2, ("EPA" or "Complainant") alleges that Solar Compounds Corporation ("Respondent") located at 1201 W. Blancke Street, Linden, New Jersey 07036 (hereinafter, "Respondent's facility"), violated the requirements of Section 313 of EPCRA (42 U.S.C. § 11023) and the regulations promulgated pursuant to that Section, codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 372.

Under Section 313 of EPCRA and 40 C.F.R. § 372.22, owners or operators of a facility subject to the requirements of Section 313(b) are required to submit annually, no later than July 1 of each year, a complete and correct Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Reporting Form R report, EPA Form 9350-1 (hereinafter, "TRI Form R report") for each toxic chemical listed under 40 C.F.R. § 372.65 and/or 40 C.F.R. § 372.28 that was manufactured, processed, or otherwise used during the preceding calendar year in quantities exceeding the established toxic chemical thresholds. Each required TRI Form R report must be submitted to the Regional Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and to the State in which the subject facility is located.

As an alternative to the requirements set forth above, pursuant to Section 313(f)(2) of EPCRA (42 U.S.C. § 11023(f)(2)) and 40 C.F.R. § 372.27, owners or operators of a facility subject to the requirements of Section 313(b) with respect to the "manufacture, process or otherwise use" of a toxic chemical may apply an alternate threshold of one million (1,000,000) pounds per year to that chemical if the conditions set forth in 40 C.F.R. § 372.27(a) are met. If the aforementioned alternate threshold for a specific toxic chemical is applicable, such owners or operators, in lieu of filing a TRI Form R report, therefore, may submit an "Alternate Threshold Certification Statement" ("TRI Form A report") pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 372.27(b). Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 372.27(e), EPA has excluded the Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic Chemicals listed in 40 C.F.R. § 372.28 from eligibility for the Alternate Thresholds described in 40 C.F.R. § 372.27(a). [59 FR 61502, Nov. 30, 1994, as amended at 64 FR 58750, Oct. 29, 1999; as amended at 71 FR 76944, Dec. 22, 2006; as amended at 74 FR 19005, Apr. 27, 2009]

EPA and Solar Compounds Corporation agree that settling this matter by entering into this Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO"), pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b) and 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2) and (3), is an appropriate means of resolving this case without further litigation. This CAFO is being issued pursuant to said provisions of 40 C.F.R. Part 22. No formal or adjudicated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law have been made. The following constitutes EPA's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law based upon information EPA obtained during and subsequent to an EPCRA Section 313 inspection conducted at the facility on February 23, 2016.

