

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REGIONAL HEARING CLERK

## DOCKET NO: CAA-09-2008-00020 This ESA is issued to: City of Fort Bragg 416 North Franklin Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437

# For: Violation of Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

At: City of Fort Bragg Waste Water Treatment Plant, in the vicinity of Soldier Point, Fort Bragg, CA 95437

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region IX, by its duly delegated official, Keith Takata, Superfund Director, and by the City of Fort Bragg (Respondent) pursuant to Section 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d), and by 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). On November 13, 2007, EPA obtained the concurrence of the U.S. Department of Justice, pursuant to Section 113(d)(1) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(1), to pursue this administrative enforcement action.

#### ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

Respondent was required to review and update its risk management plan (RMP) for the stationary source referenced above and submit it to EPA, as required by Section 112(r)(7) of the Act and 40 C.F.R. §§ 68.150(c), 68.190(a) and 68.195, by January 7, 2005. Respondent failed to review and update its RMP and submit it to EPA on or before January 7, 2005, in violation of Section 112(r)(7) of the Act and 40 C.F.R. §§ 68.150(c), 68.190(a) and 68.195.

#### SETTLEMENT

In consideration of Respondent's size of business, its full compliance history and previous penalties assessed, its good faith effort to comply, the duration and seriousness of the violation, the economic impact of the penalty, economic benefit, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record, the parties enter into this ESA in order to settle the violations described above for the total penalty amount of \$400.00.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

The Respondent by signing below admits to jurisdiction, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained above, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above. Respondent waives its rights to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to appeal this ESA. Each party to this action shall bear its own attorney's fees and costs, if any. Respondent also certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the Respondent has corrected the violations listed above and has sent a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the Treasurer, United States of America) in the amount of \$400.00 in payment of the full penalty amount to the following address:

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

The check should reference Respondent's name and a copy of this ESA must be included with the check.

This original ESA and a copy of the check must be sent by certified mail to:

Karin Graves (SFD-9-3) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, EPA will take no further civil penalty action against Respondent for the violations of the Act alleged above. This ESA shall not be construed as a covenant not to sue, a release, waiver, or limitation of any rights, remedies, powers, or authorities, civil or criminal that EPA has under the Act or any other statutory, regulatory, or common law enforcement authority of the United States, except as stated above.

If the signed original ESA with an attached copy of the check is not returned to the EPA Region IX office at the above address in correct form by the Respondent within 30 days of the date of Respondent's receipt of the proposed ESA, the ESA is withdrawn, without prejudice to EPA's ability to file an enforcement action for the violations identified herein.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

FOR RESPONDENT - City of Fort Bragg		
Signature:	trude Kuthing	
Name (print): _	LINDA RUFFINIG	x
Title (print):	CITY MANAGER	

FOR COMPLAINANT:

Date: 20 March 200 P

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Keith Takata Superfund Director U.S. EPA Region IX

It is hereby ORDERED that this ESA be entered and Respondent pay the above penalty.

Date: 03 Steven L. Jawgiel

Chief Judicial Officer U.S. EPA Region IX 

 Vendor: U.S. Environmental Protection

 Vendor No:
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 Invoice Number
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 03/05/2008

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. CAA-9-2008-00

I hereby certify that the original copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement, with the Docket number referenced above, has been filed with the Region 9 Hearing Clerk and that a copy was sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

> Doug Hammerstrom Mayor City of Fort Bragg Wastewater Treatment Plant 416 North Franklin Street Fort Bragg, CA 95437

3-24-08

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Danielle Carr Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105