



# UNITED STATED ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY 3: 30 REGION 7 11201 RENNER BOULEVARD LENEXA, KANSAS 66219

### **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (ESA)**

**DOCKET NO.**: CAA-07-2014-0007

This ESA is issued to: Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch

At: 2 Blocks North of US 50 Highway, Zenith, Kansas 67578

for violating Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 (EPA) and Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch (Respondent), have agreed to a settlement of this action before filing of a complaint, and thus this action is simultaneously commenced and concluded pursuant to Rules 22.13(b) and 22.18(B)(2) of 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 (Consolidated Rules), 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b), 22.18(b)(2).

The Complainant, by delegation of the Administrator of the EPA, is the Director of the Air and Waste Management Division. The Respondent is Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch, 2 Blocks North of US 50 Highway, Zenith, Kansas 67578.

This is an administrative action for the assessment of civil penalties instituted pursuant to Section 113(d) of the Clean Air Act (CAA). Pursuant to Section 113(d) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), the Administrator and the Attorney General jointly determined that cases which meet the criteria set forth in EPA's policy entitled "Use of Expedited Settlements in Addressing Violations of the Clean Air Act Chemical Accident Prevention Provision, 40 C.F.R. Part 68," dated January 5, 2004, are appropriate for administrative penalty action.

#### **ALLEGED VIOLATIONS**

On August 7, 2013, an authorized representative of the EPA conducted a compliance inspection of the Respondent's facility located at 2 Blocks North of US 50 Highway, Zenith, Kansas, to determine compliance with the Risk Management Plan (RMP) regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the CAA. The EPA found that the Respondent had violated regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the CAA by failing to comply with the regulations as noted on the enclosed Risk Management Program Inspection Findings (RMP Findings), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

#### **SETTLEMENT**

In consideration of Respondent's size of business, its full compliance history, its good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the

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entire record, the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations, described in the enclosed RMP Findings, for the total penalty amount of \$7,300.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

The Respondent by signing below waives any objections that it may have regarding jurisdiction, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained herein and in the RMP Findings, 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 CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to appeal this ESA. Each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, 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 in the enclosed RMP Findings and has sent a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "United States Treasury") in the amount of \$7,300 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, Missouri 63197-9000

The Docket Number of this ESA is CAA-07-2014-0007, and must be included on the check.

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

Christine Hoard
Chemical Risk Information Branch
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7
11201 Renner Boulevard
Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

A copy of the check must also be sent to:

Kathy M. Robinson Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

Upon Respondent's submission of the signed original ESA, the EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the CAA referenced in the RMP

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Findings. The EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the CAA or any other statute.

If the signed original ESA with an attached copy of the check is not returned to the EPA Region 7 office at the above address in correct form by the Respondent within 45 days of the date of Respondent's receipt of it (90 days if an extension is granted), the proposed ESA is withdrawn, without prejudice to EPA's ability to file an enforcement action for the violations identified herein and in the RMP Findings.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

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

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# FOR COMPLAINANT:

Becky Weber

Director

Air and Waste Management Division

EPA Region 7

Kristen Nazar

Assistant Regional Counsel Office of Regional Counsel

EPA Region 7

Date:

Date:

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I hereby ratify the ESA and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.

Date: 4-15-2014

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Regional Judicial Officer

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# Risk Management Program Inspection Findings CAA § 112(r) Violations

Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch 2 Blks North of US 50 Highway Zenith, Kansas 67578 Docket No. CAA-07-2014-0007



#### COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT WITH THE ESA.

#### **VIOLATIONS**

#### PENALTY AMOUNT

Risk Management Plan

Updates [68.195(b)]

\$1,000

If the emergency contact information required at 68.160(b)(6) has changed since June 21, 2004, did the owner or operator submit corrected information within thirty days of the change? Facility addressed this post inspection.

Hazard Assessment

Defining offsite impacts – Population [68.30(a)]

\$600

The owner or operator shall estimate in the RMP the population within a circle with its center at the point of the release and a radius determined by the distance to the endpoint defined in §68.22(a).

Facility addressed this post inspection.

Prevention Program

Safety Information [68.48(b)]

\$1,500

The owner or operator shall ensure that the process is designed in compliance with recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices.

Facility addressed this post inspection.

**Prevention Program** 

Hazard Review [68.50(c)]

\$600

The owner or operator shall determine by inspecting all equipment that the process is designed, fabricated, and operated in accordance with applicable standards or rules, if designed to meet industry standards or Federal or state design rules, and document the results of the review. Facility addressed this post inspection.

**Prevention Program** 

Maintenance [68.56(a)]

\$1,200

The owner or operator failed to prepare and implement procedures to maintain the on-going mechanical integrity of the process equipment. (Testing the underground piping) Facility addressed this post inspection.

**Prevention Program** 

Compliance Audits [68.58(a)]

\$1,200

The owner or operator failed to certify that it has evaluated compliance with the provisions of this subpart at least every three years to verify that the procedures and practices developed under the rule are adequate and are being followed. Facility addressed this post inspection.

Prevention Program

Incident Investigation [68.60(a)]

\$1,200

The owner or operator failed to investigate each incident that resulted in, or could reasonably have resulted in a catastrophic release. (Concerning the August 6, 2009 accident) *Facility addressed this post inspection*.

**Total Penalty** 

\$7,300

Calculation of Adjusted Penalty

Reference the Multipliers for calculating proposed penalties for violations found during RMP inspection matrix. Finding the column for 10-100 employees and the row for >10 times the threshold quantity of 10,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia as listed in 40 C.F.R. Part 68.130 for the amount in a process gives a multiplier factor of 0.8. Therefore, the multiplier for Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch = 1.0.

**Total Penalty** 

\$7,300

This section must be also completed and signed by Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch:

The approximate cost to correct the above items: \$\frac{47/3}{50}\$

Compliance staff name: \( \square \) \( \squar

<sup>\*\*</sup>No adjusted penalty since multiplier is 1

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Order was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees:

Copy emailed to Attorney for Complainant:

nazar.kristen@epa.gov

Copy by First Class Mail to Respondent:

Wade Merse Location Manager Kanza Coop, Zenith Branch US 50 Highway Zenith, Kansas 67578

Dated:

Cathy Robinson

Hearing Clerk, Region 7