## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10



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| n the Matter of:         | ) DOCKET NO. TSCA-10-2024-0220                       |
| DAWSON DEVELOPMENT, INC. | ) EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT ) AGREEMENT AND ) FINAL ORDER |
| Anchorage, Alaska        | )  |
| Respondent.              | )<br>)   |

## **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and FINAL ORDER**

- 1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") alleges that Dawson Development, Inc. ("Respondent") failed to comply with Section 402(c) of the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq. ("TSCA").
- 2. Under Section 402(c) of TSCA and 40 C.F.R. § 745.86(a) and (b), Respondent was required to retain and, if requested, make available to EPA all records necessary to demonstrate compliance with 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart E, Residential Property Renovation ("RRP Rule") for a period of three years following completion of a renovation for compensation.
- 3. On May 2, 2023, Respondent signed a contract with the property owner of 2806 Alder Drive, Anchorage, Alaska 99508 ("Target Property") to perform renovation work.

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4. On May 5, 2023, Respondent was issued Building Permit Number E23-1344 by

the Municipality of Anchorage Community Development Department to provide renovation at

Target Property for compensation.

5. During the RRP Recordkeeping Inspection with Respondent on July 16, 2024,

Respondent failed to make available RRP records as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 745.86(a) and (b) to

demonstrate compliance with the RRP Rule.

6. Respondent failed to maintain all RRP records as specified in 40 C.F.R.

§ 745.86(a) and (b) for a period of three years as required after performing renovation for

compensation on housing constructed prior to 1978 at the Target Property.

7. The Target Property was constructed in 1952, prior to 1978, and is target

housing within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. § 2681(17).

8. Respondent's failure to retain records as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 745.86(a) and

(b) for the renovation for compensation at the Target Property constitutes a violation of

40 C.F.R. § 745.86(a) and (b).

9. In determining the amount of penalty to be assessed, EPA has taken into account

the factors specified in Section 16(a)(2)(B) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(2)(B). After considering

these factors, EPA has determined, and Respondent agrees that an appropriate penalty to

settle this action is \$1,000.

10. Upon signing this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("Agreement"), Respondent

shall deposit the civil penalty amount listed in paragraph 9 by one of the following methods:

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10.1 Send a cashier's or certified check or money order with a notation for

TSCA-10-2024-0220 payable to the order of the "Treasury of the United States of

America" to the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Fines and Penalties

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Cincinnati Finance Center

P.O. Box 979078

St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

10.2 Send a cashier's or certified check or money order by an

overnight/common carrier (e.g., FedEx® or United Parcel Service of America, Inc.) with a

notation for TSCA-10-2024-0220 payable to the order of the "Treasury of the United

States of America" to the following address:

Government Lockbox 979078

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1005 Convention Plaza

SL-MO-C2-GL

St. Louis, Missouri 63101

10.3 Make an electronic deposit for payment (Vendor Express, Fedwire,

Pay.gov) at <a href="https://www.pay.gov/public/form/entry/101/11751879/">https://www.pay.gov/public/form/entry/101/11751879/</a> following the

online directions for an electronic funds transfer (EFT).

11. Concurrently with the deposit under paragraph 10, Respondent shall forward a

scanned, ink signed PDF copy of the Agreement, and a copy of the cashier's or certified check or

money order or documentation of a wire transfer via email to Tyler Gulliksen, Lead-Based Paint

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Compliance Officer at the following email address: Gulliksen.Tyler@epa.gov. By written notice

to Respondent, EPA may change the address and/or person listed above.

12. EPA is authorized to enter into this Agreement, and this proceeding for the

assessment of a civil penalty is simultaneously commenced and concluded, pursuant to Section

16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).

13. In signing this Agreement, for purposes of this proceeding, Respondent: (a)

admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein;

(b) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations in this Agreement; (c) consents to the

assessment of this penalty; and (d) waives any right to contest the allegations contained in this

Agreement, and its right to appeal the attached Final Order.

14. By its signature below, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal

penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent: (a)

is currently in compliance with the recordkeeping and reporting requirements as stated in 40

C.F.R.§ 745.86(a-b); (b) agrees to provide a deposit for payment of the civil penalty as set forth

in paragraph 9; (c) agrees to submit a true and accurate proof of deposit for payment of the

civil penalty as set forth in paragraph 10; and (d) agrees to release said deposit for payment to

EPA upon entry of the Final Order attached hereto.

15. Upon the effective date of this Agreement and subsequent payment of the civil

penalty as set forth in paragraph 10, Respondent shall be resolved of liability for Federal civil

penalties for the violation(s) and facts alleged herein.

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16. The penalty, including interest, paid by Respondent pursuant to the

requirements of this Agreement, represents civil penalties assessed by EPA, and shall not be

deductible for purposes of federal, state, or local income taxes.

17. EPA reserves all of its rights to take enforcement action for any other past,

present, or future violations by Respondent of TSCA, any other federal statute or regulation, or

this Agreement.

18. Failure of Respondent to remit the civil penalties provided herein will result in

this matter being forwarded to the United States Department of Justice for collection of the

amount due, plus stipulated penalties and interest at the statutory judgment rate provided in

28 U.S.C. § 1961.

19. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

The Agreement authorized by EPA's execution of the Final Order attached hereto 20.

constitutes a final order under 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

21. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with

40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), is effective upon filing.

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| IT IS SO AGREED,                                  |       |                  |
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| Respondent Name (print): ERK DAWSON               |       |                  |
| Respondent Title (print): PESIDENT                |       |                  |
| Respondent Signature:                             |       | Date: 08/26/2024 |
| APPROVED BY EPA:                                  |       |                  |
| EDWARD KOWALSKI Date: 2024.08.30 14:34:47 -07'00' | Date: |                  |
| Edward J. Kowalski, Director                      |       |                  |

**Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division** 

EPA Region 10

## **FINAL ORDER**

Pursuant to the authority of Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and according to the terms of the Expedited Settlement Agreement, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

This agreement shall be effective upon the filing of the Final Order by the Regional

Hearing Clerk for EPA, Region 10. Unless otherwise stated, all time periods stated herein shall be calculated in calendar days from such date.

| SO ORDERED this  | day of | , 2024. |
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RICHARD MEDNICK Regional Judicial Officer EPA Region 10

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## Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER, In the Matter of: Dawson Development, Inc., Docket No. TSCA-10-2024-0220** was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the addressees in the following manner on the date specified below:

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered electronically to:

Mr. Tyler Gulliksen
Lead-Based Paint Compliance Officer
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155, 20-C04
Seattle, Washington 98101
Gulliksen.Tyler@epa.gov

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the aforementioned document was delivered electronically to:

Mr. Erik Dawson
President
Dawson Development, Inc.
3530 Fordham Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99508
admin@dawsondev.com

| DATED this | day of | , 2024. |                        |  |
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|            |        |         | Regional Hearing Clerk |  |
|            |        |         | EPA Region 10          |  |