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## **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**DOCKET NO: CAA-01-2023-0019** 

This ESA is issued to: Brookline Ice Company, LLC, 225 Southampton Street, Boston, MA 02118 for violating Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

This Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), Region 1, by its duly delegated official, the Director of the Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division, and by Respondent, Brookline Ice Company, LLC ("Respondent"), pursuant to Sections 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 7413(a)(3) and (d), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b). EPA and the U.S. Department of Justice have jointly determined that this action is an appropriate administrative penalty action under Section 113(d)(1) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d)(1).

## **ALLEGED VIOLATIONS**

On November 17, 2021, authorized EPA representatives conducted a compliance inspection of Respondent's facility at 225 Southampton, Boston, Massachusetts ("Facility") to determine its compliance with the Risk Management Program ("RMP") regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the Act. EPA found that Respondent had violated regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the Act, as noted on the attached "Risk Management Program Inspection Findings, Alleged Violations and Proposed Penalty Form" ("Form"), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

## **SETTLEMENT**

In consideration of Respondent's size of business, compliance history, good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record, the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations, described in the attached Form, for the total penalty amount of \$8,280.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

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 Form, 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 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 Respondent has corrected the violations listed in the attached Form. Respondent agrees to submit payment of the \$8,280 penalty within 30 days of receiving a fully

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executed copy of this ESA. Respondent may pay the penalty by cashier's check, certified check, or wire transfer.

If payment is made by check, make payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," include Docket Number CAA-01-2023-0019, and send to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979078 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If payment is made by wire transfer, include the Docket Number CAA-01-2023-0019 in Field Tag 6000 and "D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency" in Field Tag 4200. The wire transfer account is:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York 33 Liberty Street New York NY 10045 ABA: 021030004 Account: 68010727

SWIFT address: FRNYUS33

Respondent must also email a copy of the check or wire transfer receipt to:

Andrew Meyer, Environmental Scientist/Inspector Meyer.drew@epa.gov

and

Wanda I. Santiago, Regional Hearing Clerk R1 Hearing Clerk Filings@epa.gov

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 and in the Form. 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 ESA is not returned to the EPA Region 1 office at the address above by Respondent within 30 days of the date of receipt, the proposed ESA is withdrawn, without prejudice to EPA's ability to file an enforcement action for the cited violations. If you do not sign and return the ESA and pay the penalty on time, EPA may pursue more formal enforcement measures, including seeking civil penalties of up to \$55,808 per day for each violation. This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), a final order is effective upon filing.

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Complainant and Respondent, by entering into this ESA, each give their respective consent to accept digital signatures hereupon. Respondent further consents to accept electronic service of the fully executed ESA, by electronic mail, to the following address:

Ltroiano@arcticglacier.com. Respondent understands that this e-mail address may be made public when the ESA and Certificate of Service are filed and uploaded to a searchable database. Complainant has provided Respondent with a copy of the EPA Region 1 Regional Judicial Officer's Authorization of EPA Region 1 Part 22 Electronic Filing System for Electronic Filing and Service of Documents Standing order, dated June 19, 2020. Electronic signatures shall comply with, and be maintained in accordance with, that Order.

FOR RESPONDENT:		
	Date:	9.7.2023
Name (print): Alice M. Signore	<u> </u>	
Title (print): TREAS NACE		

FOR COMPLAINANT:	
	Date:
James Chow, Acting Director	
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division	
U.S. EPA Region 1	

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I hereby ratify the ESA resolving <i>In the Matter of Brookline Ice</i> , No. CAA-01-2023-0019 and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.		
	Date:	
LeAnn Jensen		
Regional Judicial Officer		
U.S. EPA Region I		

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