

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 6

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Dallas, Texas 75270

In the Matter of	§	
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LBC Houston Bayport Terminal	§	Docket No. RCRA-06-2024-0962
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Respondent.	§	

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

- 1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 ("EPA") is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA" or "Agreement") pursuant to Section 3008 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6928 and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 2. Pursuant to Section 3008(a)(2) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a)(2), EPA has provided notice to the state of Texas of this action.
- LBC Houston Bayport Terminal ("Respondent") is the owner or operator of the facility located at 11807 Port Road, Seabrook, Texas 77586 (the "Facility").
- 4. The EPA alleges that the LBC Houston Bayport Terminal violated the following requirements of RCRA and the EPA approved and authorized Texas hazardous waste management program:
 - a. Failure To Meet the Conditions For Exemption For A Large Quantity Generator That

 Accumulates Hazardous Waste

Pursuant to 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 335.53(f), [40 C.F.R. 262.17], a large quantity generator may accumulate hazardous waste on site without a permit or interim status, and without complying

with the requirement of parts 124, 264, through 267, and 270 of this chapter, or the notification requirements of section 3010 of RCRA for treatment, storage, and disposal facilities, provided that the conditions for exemption are met. The facility failed to comply with the special conditions for accumulation of incompatible waste and the labeling and marking requirements for containers managing hazardous waste in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 335.53(f), [40 C.F.R. 262.17(a)(1)(vii)(C) and 40 C.F.R. 262.17(a)(5)].

- 5. The EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars is in the public interest.
- 6. Respondent certifies that it has provided payment for the full civil penalty amount, that such payment identified Respondent by name and docket number, was made by certified or cashier's check made payable to the "United States Treasury", and sent to:

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

or by alternate payment method described at http://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment.

7. Respondent certifies that the original Agreement and a true and accurate copy of the deposit for payment was submitted to:

U.S. EPA, Region 6
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division (ECDSR)
1201 Elm Street, Suite 500
Dallas, Texas 75270-2102
ATTN: Gabriel Salinas
salinas.gabriel@epa.gov

8. In signing this Agreement, Respondent (a) admits that Respondent is subject to RCRA and the implementing regulations; (b) admits that the EPA has jurisdiction over

Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein; (c) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; (d) consents to the assessment of this penalty; (e) waives the opportunity for a hearing to contest any issue of fact or law set forth herein; (f) waives its right to appeal the Final Order accompanying this Agreement pursuant to Section 3008(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(b); and (g) consents to electronic service of the filed ESA.

- 9. By signature below, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent has corrected the alleged violations, as applicable, and has submitted true and accurate documentation of such correction along with this Agreement.
- 10. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter the terms and conditions of this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order and to execute and legally bind Respondent to it. Upon the effective date of this Agreement, payment of the civil penalty shall constitute full settlement of the civil claims alleged herein.
- 11. Full payment of the civil penalty shall only resolve Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged herein. EPA reserves its rights to take enforcement action for any other past, present, or future violations of RCRA, any other federal statute or regulation, or this Agreement.
 - 12. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.
- 13. The 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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14. This Agreement authorized by the EPA's execution of the Final Order attached

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

15. The penalty specified herein shall represent civil penalties assessed by EPA and

shall not be deductible for purposes of Federal, State, and local taxes.

16. The EPA and Respondent agree to the use of electronic signatures for this matter

pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.6. The EPA and Respondent further agree to electronic service of this

Agreement by email to the following:

To EPA: murdock.russell@epa.gov and

salinas.gabriel@epa.gov

To Respondent: b-panepinto@lbctt.com

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RESPONDENT: LBC HOUSTON BAYPORT TERMINA		
Date: 6/18/2024	Signature	
	Bruce Moor	e
	VP Finance Title	
COMPLAINANT: U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIO	N AGENCY	
Date: _ July 1, 2024	Cheryl J. Soager	Digitally signed by CHERYL SEAGER Date: 2024.07.01 12:49:56 -05'00'
	Cheryl T. Seager, Dir	ector

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FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to Section 3008(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a), and 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, the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement resolving this matter is hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order.

Respondent is ORDERED to comply with all of the terms of the Expedited Settlement

Agreement. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b), the effective date of the foregoing

Expedited Settlement Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is

filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

This Final Order shall resolve only shall only resolve Respondent's liability for Federal civil penalties for the violations and facts alleged in the Expedited Settlement Agreement.

Nothing in this Final Order shall be construed to waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondent's (or its officers, agents, servants, employees, successors, or assigns) obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and regulations, including the regulations that were the subject of this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

THOMAS RUCKI	Digitally signed by THOMAS RUCKI Date: 2024.07.01		
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Thomas Rucki		Date	
Regional Judicia	l Officer		

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final

Order was filed with me, the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA - Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Suite
500, Dallas, Texas 75270-2102, and that I sent a true and correct copy on this day in the
following manner to the email addresses:

Copy via Email to Complainant, EPA:

murdock.russell@epa.gov and salinas.gabriel@epa.gov

Copy via Email to Respondent:

b-panepinto@lbctt.com
Bobby Panepinto
LBC Houston Bayport Terminal
11666 Port Road
Seabrook, Texas 77586

Regional Hearing Clerk

U.S. EPA, Region 6