



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 4
ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
61 FORSYTH STREET
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

CERTIFIED MAIL
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MAY 04 2017

Nina F. Queen
Corporate Secretary
Petroci USA, Inc.
5100 Westheimer, Suite 420
Houston, Texas 77056

Re: SPCC Expedited Settlement Agreement
Petroci USA, Inc. – East Heidelberg Field Facility
SPCC Inspection Number: MS1502-007
Docket No. CWA-04-2017-7003(b)

Dear Ms. Queen:

This letter is to notify Petroci USA, Inc. that the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) for the above-referenced matter has been signed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and became effective on the date of filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.6 and 22.31, as indicated on the Certificate of Service. The ESA is binding on the EPA and Petroci USA, Inc. A copy of the ESA is enclosed.

Pursuant to the ESA, Petroci USA, Inc. shall submit the payment of \$3,875 within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. Payment shall be made by cashier's check, certified check, by electronic funds transfer (EFT), or by Automated Clearing House (ACH) (also known as REX or remittance express) payable to the "Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund." If paying by check, Respondent shall submit a cashier's check or certified check. The check shall bear the notation "OSLTF – 311" and Respondent shall reference the title and docket number of this case on the face of the check. The payment shall be made in one of the forms stated in Enclosure A. For additional payment information, see the EPA's payments webpage <http://www2.epa.gov/financial/makepayment>.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(c), you shall send a separate copy of the check or the other instrument of payment that you use and a written statement that the payment is being made in accordance with this ESA, to the persons at the following addresses:

Ms. Patricia Bullock
Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960

And to:

John C. Goodwin
Environmental Engineer
Enforcement and Compliance Branch
Resource Conservation and Restoration Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960

If you have any questions, please contact John C. Goodwin at (404) 562-8488.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Lamberth
Chief, Enforcement and Compliance Branch
Resource Conservation and Restoration Division

Enclosures

cc: United States Coast Guard

ENCLOSURE A

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Payments by Mail:

To make a payment to EPA by mail, send a check to the EPA lockbox listed below.

Address Format for U.S. Postal Service:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
P. O. Box 979077
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

Address Format for Common Carriers (Fedex, DHL, UPS):

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Government Lockbox 979077
1005 Convention Plaza
SL-MO-C2-GL
St. Louis, MO 63101
(314) 425-1819

Wire Transfers:

Wire transfers to EPA can be done through the Federal Reserve Bank of New York using the following information:

ABA: 021030004
Account Number: 68010727
SWIFT address: FRNYUS33
33 Liberty Street
New York, NY 10045
Beneficiary: US Environmental Protection Agency

Automated Clearinghouse Payments (also known as REX or remittance express);

Automated Clearinghouse payments to EPA can be made through the US Treasury using the following information:

US Treasury REX/Cashlink ACH Receiver
ABA: 051036706
Account Number: 310006, Environmental Protection Agency
CTX Format Transaction Code 22 – checking
Physical location of US Treasury Facility:
5700 Rivertech Court
Riverdale, MD 20737
US Treasury Contact Information:
Remittance Express (REX): 1-866-234-5681

On Line Payment:

There is now an On Line Payment Option, available through the Dept. of Treasury.

This payment option can be accessed from the information below:

<https://www.pay.gov/paygov/>

Open form and complete required fields.



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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SPCC EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

DOCKET NO.: CWA-04-2017-7003(b)

On March 17, 2015, an authorized representative of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conducted an inspection of the facility located near 143 Highway 503, Heidelberg, Mississippi (the "East Heidelberg Field Facility") owned and/or operated by Petroci USA, Inc. (Respondent) to determine compliance with the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) regulations promulgated at 40 CFR Part 112 under the Clean Water Act (CWA) § 311(j), 33 U.S.C. § 1321(j). Based on that inspection, the EPA finds that Respondent had failed to comply with the SPCC regulations as described on the attached "SPCC Inspection, Findings, Alleged Violations and Proposed Penalty Form" (Form), which is incorporated by reference.

The EPA finds Respondent's conduct is subject to the SPCC regulations and Respondent has violated the SPCC regulations as described in the Form. Respondent admits being subject to 40 CFR Part 112 and that the EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as described in the Form. Respondent does not contest the inspection findings, and neither admits nor denies the allegations in the Form.

The EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) under the authority vested in the Administrator of the EPA by CWA § 311(b)(6)(B)(i), 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and by 40 CFR § 22.13(b) and § 22.18(b)(2)-(3). The parties enter into this ESA to settle the civil violations described in the Form for a penalty of \$3,875. Respondent consents to the assessment of this penalty.

This ESA is also subject to the following terms and conditions: Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the violations have been corrected and Respondent is in compliance with 40 C.F.R. Part 112. Respondent agrees to pay the penalty assessed within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving written notice that the ESA has been executed and is effective. **Do not enclose payment.** The EPA will provide instructions in writing on the procedures for making the penalty payment to the "Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund" with a copy of the Final Order.

After the parties sign this ESA and Respondent pays the civil penalty, the EPA will take no further action against Respondent for the violations of the SPCC regulations described in the Form. However, the EPA does not waive any rights to take enforcement action for any other violations by Respondent of the SPCC regulations or of any other federal statute or regulation.

Upon signing and returning this ESA to the EPA, Respondent waives any right to judicial review under CWA § 311(b)(6)(G), 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(G), any right to appeal or request a hearing to contest any fact or allegation, and consents to the EPA's approval of the ESA without further notice. Failure by Respondent to pay the penalty assessed by this ESA in full by its due date may subject Respondent to a civil action to collect the assessed penalty plus interest, attorney's fees, costs and an additional quarterly nonpayment penalty pursuant to CWA § 311(b)(6)(H), 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(H). In any such collection action, the validity, amount, and appropriateness of the penalty shall not be subject to review.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below. Each person signing this ESA certifies that he or she has the authority to sign for the party who he or she represents and to bind that party to its terms. The ESA is effective upon the EPA's filing of the ESA with the Regional Hearing Clerk. If Respondent does not sign and return this ESA as presented within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of its receipt, the proposed ESA will be withdrawn without prejudice to the EPA's ability to file any other enforcement action for the noncompliance identified in the Form.

APPROVED BY RESPONDENT:

Name (print): NINA F. QUEEN

Title (print): CORPORATE SECRETARY

Nina Queen Date 03-01-2017
Signature

APPROVED BY EPA:

Larry L. Lamberth Date 04/12/17
Larry L. Lamberth

Chief, Enforcement & Compliance Branch
Resource Conservation and Restoration Division

FINAL ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Tanya Floyd Date: May 3, 2017
Tanya Floyd

Regional Judicial Officer

**Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Inspection
Findings, Alleged Violations, and Proposed Penalty Form**

(Note: Do not use this form if there is no secondary containment)

These Findings, Alleged Violations and Penalties are issued by EPA Region 4 under the authority vested in the Administrator of the EPA by Section 311(b)(6)(B)(I) of the Clean Water Act, as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990.



Company Name
Petroci USA, Inc.

Docket Number
CWA-04-2017-7003(b)

Facility Name
East Heidelberg Field Facility

Date
03/17/2015

Address
143 Highway 503

Facility ID Number
MS1502-007

City
Heidelberg

Inspector's Name
Greg Harper

State
MS

Zip Code
39355

EPA Approving Official
Larry L. Lamberth

Contact
Joey McCloud

Enforcement Contact
J. C. Goodwin

**Summary of Findings
(Bulk Storage Facilities)**

GENERAL TOPICS: 112.3(a), (d), (e); 112.5(a), (b), (c); 112.7 (a), (b), (c), (d)

(When the SPCC Plan review penalty exceeds \$1,500 enter only the maximum allowable of \$1,500)

- No Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan 112.3 (\$1,500) \$1,500
- Plan not certified by a professional engineer 112.3(d) (\$450)
- Certification lacks one or more required elements 112.3(d)(1) (\$100)
- Plan not maintained on site (if manned at least four hrs/day) or not available for review 112.3(e)(1) (\$300)
- No evidence of five-year review of plan by owner/operator 112.5(b) (\$75)
- No plan amendment(s) if the facility has had a change in: design, construction, operation, or maintenance which affects the facility's discharge potential 112.5(a) (\$75)
- Amendment(s) not certified by a professional engineer 112.5(c) (\$150)
- No management approval of plan 112.7 (\$450)
- Plan does not follow sequence of the rule and/or cross-reference not provided 112.7 (\$150)
- Plan does not discuss additional procedures/methods/equipment not yet fully operational 112.7 (\$75)

- Plan does not discuss alternative environmental protection to SPCC requirements 112.7(a)(2) (\$200)
- Plan has inadequate or no facility diagram 112.7(a)(3) (\$75)
- Inadequate or no listing of type of oil and storage capacity layout of containers 112.7(a)(3)(i) (\$50)
- Inadequate or no discharge prevention measures 112.7(a)(3)(ii) (\$50)
- Inadequate or no description of drainage controls 112.7(a)(3)(iii) (\$50)
- Inadequate or no description of countermeasures for discharge discovery, response and cleanup 112.7(a)(3)(iv) (\$50)
- Recovered materials not disposed of in accordance with legal requirements 112.7(a)(3)(v) (\$50)
- No contact list & phone numbers for response & reporting discharges 112.7(a)(3)(vi) (\$50)
- Plan has inadequate or no information and procedures for reporting a discharge 112.7(a)(4) (\$100)
- Plan has inadequate or no description and procedures to use when a discharge may occur 112.7(a)(5) (\$150)
- Inadequate or no prediction of equipment failure which could result in discharges 112.7(b) (\$150)
- Plan does not discuss and facility does not implement appropriate containment/diversionary structures/equipment (including truck transfer areas) 112.7(c) (\$400)

If claiming impracticability of containment and appropriate diversionary structures:

- Impracticability has not been clearly denoted and demonstrated in plan 112.7(d) (\$100)
- No contingency plan 112.7(d)(1) (\$150)
- No written commitment of manpower, equipment, and materials 112.7(d)(2) (\$150)
- No periodic integrity and leak testing, if impracticability is claimed 112.7(d) (\$150)
- Plan has no or inadequate discussion of general requirements not already specified 112.7(a)(f) (\$75)

QUALIFIED FACILITY REQUIREMENTS: 112.6

- Qualified Facility: No Self certification 112.6(a) (\$450)
- Qualified Facility: Self certification lacks required elements 112.6(a) (\$100)
- Qualified Facility: Technical amendments not certified 112.6(b) (\$150)
- Qualified Facility: Un-allowed deviations from requirements 112.6(c) (\$100)
- Qualified Facility: Environmental Equivalence or Impracticability not certified by PE 112.6(d) (\$350)

WRITTEN PROCEDURES AND INSPECTION RECORDS 112.7(e)

- Plan does not include inspections and test procedures in accordance with 40 CFR Part 112 112.7(e) (\$75)
- Inspections and tests required are not in accordance with written procedures developed

for the facility 112.7(e) (\$75)

- No Inspection records were available for review 112.7(e) (\$200) \$200
(Written procedures and/or a record of inspections and/or customary business records)
- Inspection records are not signed by appropriate supervisor or inspector 112.7(e) (\$75)
- Inspection records are not maintained for three years 112.7(e) (\$75)

PERSONNEL TRAINING AND DISCHARGE PREVENTION PROCEDURES 112.7(f)

- No training on the operation and maintenance of equipment to prevent discharges and/or facility operations 112.7(f)(1) (\$75) \$75
- No training on discharge procedure protocols 112.7(f)(1) (\$75) \$75
- No training on the applicable pollution control laws, rules and regulations, and/or SPCC plan 112.7(f)(1) (\$75) \$75
- Training records not maintained for three years 112.7(f)(1) (\$75)
- No designated person accountable for spill prevention 112.7(f)(2) (\$75)
- Spill prevention briefings are not scheduled and conducted at least annually 112.7(f)(3) (\$75)
- Plan has inadequate or no discussion of personnel and spill prevention procedures 112.7(a)(1) (\$75)

FACILITY TANK CAR AND TANK TRUCK LOADING/UNLOADING 112.7(c) and/or (h-j)

- Inadequate containment for Loading Area [not consistent with 112.7(c)] 112.7(c) (\$400)
- Inadequate secondary containment, and/or rack drainage does not flow to catchment basin treatment system, or quick drainage system 112.7(h)(1) (\$750) \$750
- Containment system does not hold at least the maximum capacity of the largest single compartment of any tank car or tank truck 112.7(h)(1) (\$450)
- There are no interlocked warning lights, or physical barrier system, or warning signs, or vehicle brake interlock system to prevent vehicular departure before complete disconnect from transfer lines- 112.7(h)(2) \$300
- There is no inspection of lowermost drains and all outlets prior to filling and departure of any tank car or tank truck- 112.7(h)(3) (\$150)
- Plan has inadequate or no discussion of facility tank car and tank truck loading/unloading rack 112.7(j) (\$75)

QUALIFIED OIL OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT 112.7(k)

- Failure to establish and document procedures for inspections or a monitoring program to detect equipment failure and/or a discharge 112.7(k)(2)(i) (\$150)
- Failure to provide an oil spill contingency plan 112.7(k)(2)(ii)(A) (\$150)
- No written commitment of manpower, equipment, and materials 112.7(k)(2)(ii)(B) (\$150)

OIL PRODUCTION FACILITY DRAINAGE 112.9(b)

- Drains for the secondary containment systems at tank batteries and separation and central training areas are not closed and sealed at all times except when *112.9(b)(1)* (\$600)
- Prior to drainage of diked areas, rainwater is not inspected, valves opened and resealed under responsible supervision and records kept of such events *112.9(b)(i)* (\$450) \$450
- Accumulated oil on the rainwater is not removed and returned to storage or disposed of in accordance with legally approved methods *112.9(b)(1)* (\$300)
- Fuel drainage system (drainage ditches and road ditches), oil traps, sumps and/or skimmers are not regularly inspected and/or oil is not promptly removed *112.9(b)(2)* (\$300) \$300
- Inadequate or no records maintained for drainage events *112.7* (\$75)
- Plan has inadequate or no discussion of facility drainages *112.7* (\$75)

OIL PRODUCTION FACILITY BULK STORAGE CONTAINERS 112.9(c)

- Plan has inadequate or no risk analysis and/or evaluation of field-constructed aboveground tanks for brittle fracture *112.7(i)* (\$75)
- Failure to conduct evaluation of field-constructed aboveground tanks for brittle fracture *112.7(i)* (\$300)
- Container material and construction are not compatible with the oil stored and the conditions of storage *112.9(c)(1)* (\$450)
- Size of secondary containment appears to be inadequate for containers and treating facilities *112.9(c)(2)* (\$750)
- Excessive vegetation which affects the integrity *112.9(c)(2)* (\$150)
- Walls of containment system are slightly eroded or have low areas *112.9(c)(2)* (\$300)
- Secondary containment materials are not sufficiently impervious to contain oil *112.9(c)(2)* (\$375)
- Visual inspections of containers, foundation and supports are not conducted periodically for deterioration and maintenance needs *112.9(c)(3)* (\$450)
- Tank battery installations are not in accordance with good engineering practice because none of the following are present *112.9(c)(4)* (\$450) \$450
 - (1) Adequate tank capacity to prevent tank overflow *112.9(c)(4)(i)*, or
 - (2) Overflow equalizing lines between the tanks *112.9(c)(4)(ii)*, or
 - (3) Vacuum protection to prevent tank collapse *112.9(c)(4)(iii)*, or
 - (4) High level alarms to generate and transmit an alarm signal where facilities are part of a computer control system *112.9(c)(4)(iv)*
- Plan has inadequate or no discussion of bulk storage tanks *112.7(a)(1)* (\$75)

FACILITY TRANSFER OPERATIONS, OIL, PRODUCTION FACILITY 112.9(D)

- Above ground valves and pipelines are not examined periodically on a scheduled basis for general condition (include items, such as: flange joints, valve glands 2nd bodies, drip pans, pipeline supports, bleeder and gauge valves, polish rods/stuffing box.) *112.9(d)(1)* (\$450)

- Brine and saltwater disposal facilities are not examined often *112.9(d)(2)* (\$450)
- Inadequate or no flowline maintenance program (includes: examination, corrosion protection, flowline replacement) *112.9(d)(3)* (\$450)
- Plan has inadequate or no discussion of facility transfer operations, pumping, and facility process *112.7(a)(1)* (\$75)
- Plan does not include a signed copy of the Certification of the Applicability of the Substantial Harm Criteria per 40 CFR Part 112.20(e) (\$150)
(Do not use this if FRP subject; go to traditional enforcement)

TOTAL	\$3,875
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day filed the original and a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order (CA/FO), in the matter of Petroci USA, Inc., Docket Number: CWA-04-2017-7003(b), and have served the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Teresa Mann
Assistant Regional Counsel
Office of RCRA, OPA and UST Legal Support
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960

(Via EPA's electronic mail)

Quantindra Smith
Enforcement and Compliance Branch
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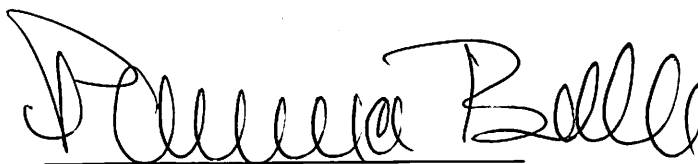
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