

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 4
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CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Ronnie Spivey, CEO Coffee Automotive, Inc. d/b/a Trinity Ford of Alma 605 South Pierce Street Alma, Georgia 31510

Re: Consent Agreement and Final Order in the Matter of Coffee Automotive, Inc. d/b/a Trinity Ford of Alma

Docket No. CAA-04-2007-1519 (b)

Dear Mr. Spivey:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in this matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk as directed in Section 22.05(a) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, as amended. Please refer to Section IV, Final Order, for the terms and instructions regarding your final payment on the penalty due. Any questions regarding the processing of your penalty may be directed to Ms. Lori L. Weidner, Financial Management Office, at (513) 487-2125.

Also enclosed is a copy of the "Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) any environmental enforcement actions taken by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). If you have any questions with regard to the SEC's environmental disclosure requirements, you may refer to the contact phone number at the bottom of the Notice.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Shanieka Pennamon at (404) 562-9213.

Sincerely,

Beverly A. Spagg

Chief

Air and EPCRA Enforcement Branch

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Enclosures

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| IN THE MATTER OF: | |
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| Coffee Automotive, Inc. |) |
| d/b/a Trinity Ford of Alma |) Docket Number: CAA-04-2007-1519(b) |
| 605 South Pierce Street |) |
| Alma, Georgia 31510 |) |
| Respondent |) |
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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

- I. Nature of the Action/Jurisdictional Statements
- 1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 113(d) of the Clean Art. Act (CAA), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, Region 4, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Respondent is Coffee Automotive, Inc. d/b/a Trinity Ford of Alma, (hereinafter, "Respondent").
- 2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18 and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.
- 3. The authority to take action under Section 113(d) of CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under the CAA to the Regional Administrators by EPA Delegation 7-6-A. The Regional Administrator, Region 4, has re-delegated this authority to the Director, Air, Pesticides, and Toxics Management Division, by EPA Region 4 Delegation 7-6-A. Pursuant to that delegation, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has the authority to commence an enforcement action as the Complainant in this matter.
 - 4. Respondent is a corporation doing business in the State of Georgia.
 - 5. Respondent is a "person" as defined in CAA § 302(e), 42 U.S.C. § 7602(e).
- 6. The respondent is an automotive dealer whose main business is service, repair and retail sale of new and used motor vehicles.

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- 7. Respondent performs "service for consideration" as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 82.32(g) at its facility located at 605 South Pierce Street, Alma, Georgia 31510.
- 8. Respondent performs "service involving refrigerant" as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 82.32(h) at its facility located at 605 South Pierce Street, Alma, Georgia 31510.

II. Clean Air Requirements/Factual Allegations

- 9. Section 609(c) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7671h(c), and the regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 82, Subpart B, establish that no person repairing or servicing motor vehicle air conditioners (MVACs) for consideration may perform any service on a MVAC involving the refrigerant for such air conditioner unless such person has been properly trained and certified.
- 10. Regulation 40 C.F.R. § 82.34(a) states no person repairing or servicing MVACs for consideration, and no person repairing or servicing MVAC-like appliances, may perform any service involving the refrigerant for such MVAC or MVAC-like appliance unless any such person repairing or servicing an MVAC has been properly trained and certified by a technician certification program approved by the Administrator pursuant to § 82.40.
- 11. EPA alleges that on more than one occasion from April 7, 2006, through January 24, 2007, Respondent performed service for consideration involving the refrigerant of MVAC systems without the use of properly trained and certified technicians. Respondent violated CAA § 609(c), 42 U.S.C. § 7671h(c), and 40 C.F.R. § 82.34(a) by failing to use properly trained and certified technicians while performing service for consideration involving the refrigerant of a MVAC system.
- 12. Pursuant to Section 113(d) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19, EPA may assess a penalty of not more than \$32,500 for each violation of Section 609 of CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7671h that occurred after March 15, 2004.

III. Consent Agreement

- 13. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set out in Paragraphs 1 through 8 above, but Respondent neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set out above.
- 14. As provided in 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2), Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations listed above and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying this consent agreement.
- 15. Respondent consents to the assessment of and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.

- 16. Respondent certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, information and belief, as of the date of the execution of this CAFO, Respondent is in full compliance with all relevant requirements of the CAA § 609 and its implementing regulations.
- 17. Compliance with this CAFO shall resolve the allegations of violations contained herein and known to the EPA at this time and EPA hereby releases Respondent from all liability therefor. This CAFO shall not otherwise affect any liability of Respondent, if any, to the United States. Other than as expressed herein, neither EPA nor Complainant waives any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit, to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment, or to pursue criminal enforcement for allegations of violations not contained in this CAFO.
- 18. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of the CAA.

IV. Final Order

- 19. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of **THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS** (\$3,545) which is to be paid within thirty (30) days after the Respondent receives a copy of the fully executed CAFO.
- 20. Respondent shall pay the penalty by forwarding a cashier's or certified check, payable to: "Treasurer, United States of America," to the following address:

U.S. EPA Cincinnati Accounting Operations P.O. Box 371099M Pittsburgh, PA 15251-7099

The check shall reference on its face the name of the Respondent and the Docket Number of the CAFO.

21. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check, and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this CAFO, to the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104 Shanieka Pennamon North Air Enforcement Section U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Saundi Wilson (OEA) U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303

- 22. For the purposes of state and federal income taxation, Respondent shall not be entitled, and agrees not to attempt, to claim a deduction for the civil penalty payment made pursuant to paragraph 19.
- 23. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717, EPA is entitled to assess interest and penalties on debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the cost of processing and handling a delinquent claim. Interest will therefore begin to accrue on the civil penalty from the date of entry of this CAFO, if the penalty is not paid by the date required. Interest will be assessed at the rate established by the Secretary of Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717. A charge will be assessed to cover the costs of debt collection, including processing and handling costs and attorney fees. In addition, a penalty charge will be assessed on any portion of the debt that remains delinquent more than ninety (90) days after payment is due.
- 24. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
 - 25. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
- 26. The following individual represents EPA in this matter and is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Shanieka Pennamon North Air Enforcement Section U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (404) 562-9213

27. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally bind that party to it.

V. Effective Date

28. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date on which the CAFO is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

| Coffee Automotive, Inc. d/b/a Trinity I | Ford of Alm | a |
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| By: 72 A. 55 | Date: | 8-16-07 |
| Ronnie Spivey CEO, Coffee Automotive, Inc. | | |

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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| Beverly H. Banister | | , |
| Director | | |
| Air, Pesticides & Toxics | | |
| Management Division | | |
| Region 4 | | |

| APPROVED AND SO ORDERED this 28th day of _ | alleguer | , 2007. |
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Susan B. Schub Regional Judicial Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the date set out below I filed the original and one copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order and served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, in the Matter of: Coffee Automotive, Inc., Docket No. CAA-04-2007-1519(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Mr. Ronnie Spivey, CEO Coffee Automotive, Inc. d/b/a Trinity Ford of Alma 605 South Pierce Street Alma, Georgia 31510 (Via Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested)

Ms. Nancy Tommelleo U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

Ms. Shanieka Pennamon (AEEB) U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW (Via EPA's internal mail)

Date:

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Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk United States Environmental Protection

Agency, Region 4 Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303 (404)562-9511

Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty To Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings

Securities and Exchange Commission regulations require companies registered with the SEC (e.g., publicly traded companies) to disclose, on at least a quarterly basis, the existence of certain administrative or judicial proceedings taken against them arising under Federal, State or local provisions that have the primary purpose of protecting the environment. Instruction 5 to Item 103 of the SEC's Regulation S-K (17 CFR 229.103) requires disclosure of these environmental legal proceedings. For those SEC registrants that use the SEC's "small business issuer" reporting system, Instructions 1-4 to Item 103 of the SEC's Regulation S-B (17 CFR 228.103) requires disclosure of these environmental legal proceedings.

If you are an SEC registrant, you have a duty to disclose the existence of pending or known to be contemplated environmental legal proceedings that meet any of the following criteria (17 CFR 229.103(5)(A)-(C)):

- A. Such proceeding is material to the business or financial condition of the registrant;
- B. Such proceeding involves primarily a claim for damages, or involves potential monetary sanctions, capital expenditures, deferred charges or charges to income and the amount involved, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds 10 percent of the current assets of the registrant and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis; or
- C. A governmental authority is a party to such proceeding and such proceeding involves potential monetary sanctions, unless the registrant reasonably believes that such proceeding will result in no monetary sanctions, or in monetary sanctions, exclusive of interest and costs, of less than \$100,000; provided, however, that such proceedings which are similar in nature may be grouped and described generically.

Specific information regarding the environmental legal proceedings that must be disclosed is set forth in Item 103 of Regulation S-K or, for registrants using the "small business issuer" reporting system, Item 103(a)-(b) of Regulation S-B. If disclosure is required, it must briefly describe the proceeding, "including the name of the court or agency in which the proceedings are pending, the date instituted, the principal parties thereto, a description of the factual basis alleged to underlie the proceedings and the relief sought."

You have been identified as a party to an environmental legal proceeding to which the United States government is, or was, a party. If you are an SEC registrant, this environmental legal proceeding may trigger, or may already have triggered, the disclosure obligation under the SEC regulations described above.

This notice is being provided to inform you of SEC registrants' duty to disclose any relevant environmental legal proceedings to the SEC. This notice does not create, modify or interpret any existing legal obligations, it is not intended to be an exhaustive description of the legally applicable requirements and it is not a substitute for regulations published in the Code of Federal Regulations. This notice has been issued to you for information purposes only. No determination of the applicability of this reporting requirement to your company has been made by any governmental entity. You should seek competent counsel in determining the applicability of these and other SEC requirements to the environmental legal proceeding at issue, as well as any other proceedings known to be contemplated by governmental authorities.

If you have any questions about the SEC's environmental disclosure requirements, please contact the Office of Chief Counsel in the SEC's Division of Corporation Finance. The phone number is (202) 942-2900.

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