

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590 March 24, 2014

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

CERTIFIED MAIL: No.7009 1680 0000 7647 6270 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Robert Bloss Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc. 5433 Fenton Road G Flint, Michigan 48507

Expedited Agreement and Final Order In the Matter of Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc. Docket No. TSCA-05-2014-0004

Mr. Bloss:

Enclosed pleased find a copy of a fully executed Expedited Agreement and Final Order (ESA) in resolution of the above case. This document was filed on March 24, 2014 with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

The civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000 is to be paid in the manner described in paragraphs 8 and 9. Please be certain that the docket number is written on both the transmittal letter and on the check. Payment is due by April 23, 2014 (within 30 calendar days of the filing date).

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this matter.

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Sincerely,

Paul Fericelli

Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section

Enclosure

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IN THE MATTER OF:)	Docket No. TSCA-05-2014-0004 FGION 5
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Flint, Michigan)	EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT
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Respondent.)	FINAL ORDER
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EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

- The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) alleges that Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc. ("Vinyl Sash" or "Respondent") failed to comply with regulations promulgated under Section 402 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. § 2682, in violation of Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.
- 2. Specifically, EPA alleges that when, on or about May 11, 2011, Respondent performed renovation work for compensation at target housing located at 3817 Cambridge Street, Midland, Michigan, Respondent violated TSCA by performing, offering, or claiming to perform renovations of target housing or child-occupied facilities without being certified by EPA under 40 C.F.R. § 745.89 to conduct renovation, repair, and/or painting activities in target housing and/or child-occupied facilities, as required by 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.81(a)(2)(ii) and 745.89(a), in violation of Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.
- 3. EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a civil penalty of \$1,000 is in the public interest.
- 4. EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order (Agreement) pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).
- 5. In signing this Agreement, Respondent: (1) admits that Respondent is subject to 40 C.F.R. § 745.81(a) and 40 C.F.R. § 745.89; (2) admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein; (3) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations contained herein; and (4) consents to the assessment of this penalty.
- 6. By its signature below, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making false submissions to the United States Government, that: (1) it has applied to EPA for certification under 40 C.F.R. § 745.89; and (2) along with this Agreement Respondent is submitting proof of its application for certification in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 745.89, including a signed copy of its "Application for Firms" and proof of payment of its application fee.
- 7. Within 120 days after the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent shall submit to EPA a notice of certification that states Respondent's name, complete address, and the case docket number, along with proof of its certification in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.81(a)(2)(ii) and 745.89, at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J) U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

Paul Fericelli (LC-8J)
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Robert Peachey (C-14J)
Office of Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

8. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the TSCA violations identified in this Agreement by sending a cashier's or certified check, payable to "Treasurer, United States of America" to:

U.S. EPA
Fines and Penalties
Cincinnati Finance Center
P.O. Box 979077
St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

The check must state the case title ("In the Matter of: Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc."), and the docket number of this Agreement.

- 9. Respondent must send a notice of payment that states Respondent's name, complete address, and the case docket number (along with a photocopy of the check) to EPA at the addresses listed in paragraph 7, above, when it pays the penalty.
- 10. This civil penalty is not deductible for federal tax purposes.
- 11. If Respondent does not pay timely the civil penalty, EPA may refer this matter to the Attorney General who will recover such amount, plus interest, in the appropriate district court of the United States under Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a). The validity, amount and appropriateness of the civil penalty are not reviewable in a collection action.
- 12. Pursuant to 31 C.F.R. § 901.9, Respondent must pay the following on any amount overdue under this Agreement. Interest will accrue on any amount overdue at a rate established pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717. Respondent must pay a \$15 handling charge each month that any portion of the penalty is more than 30 days past due. In addition, Respondent must pay a 6 percent per year penalty on any principal amount 90 days past due.
- 13. This Agreement resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations alleged in the Agreement.

- 14. This Agreement does not affect the rights of EPA or the United States to pursue appropriate injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violations of law.
- 15. 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.
- 16. This Agreement does not affect Respondent's responsibility to comply with TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq., and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- 17. Respondent certifies that it is complying with Section 402 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2682, and its implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 745.
- 18. The terms of this Agreement bind Respondent, and its successors and assigns.
- 19. Each person signing this Agreement certifies that he or she has the authority to sign for the party whom he or she represents and to bind that party to its terms.
 - 20. Upon signing and returning this Agreement to EPA, Respondent waives any and all remedies, claims for relief and other available rights to judicial or administrative review Respondent may have with respect to any issue of fact or law set forth in this Expedited Settlement Agreement, including the opportunity for a hearing or appeal pursuant to TSCA and 40 C.F.R. Part 22 and any right of judicial review under Chapter 7 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 701 -706.
 - 21. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.
 - 22. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below, and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b) is effective upon filing.

IT IS SO AGREED.	
NAME (print): ROBERT BLOSS	
TITLE (print): PRESIDENT	
SIGNATURE: RM BE	DATE: 2-28-14
APPROVED BY EPA:	
MANNA	DATE:3/18/2014
Margaret M. Guerriero, Director	
Land and Chemicals Division	HEAR
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FINAL ORDER

This Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order, as agreed to by the parties, shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. This Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order concludes this proceeding pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

3/20/2014

Date

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Susan Hedman Regional Administrator United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 5

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I hereby certify that the original signed copy of the Expedited Agreement and Final Order PROTECTION AGENCY resolution of the civil administrative action involving Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc., was filed on March 24, 2014, with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, 60604, and that I mailed by Certified Mail, Receipt No. 7009 1680 0000 7647 6454, and a copy of the original to the Respondent:

Mr. Robert Bloss Vinyl Sash of Flint, Inc. 5433 Fenton Road G Flint, Michigan 48507

and forwarded copies (intra-Agency) to:

Ann Coyle, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J Robert Peachey, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J Eric Volck, Cincinnati Finance/MWD

Frederick Brown

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