#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

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In the Matter of:

All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC) Harbor Beach, Michigan, Docket No. CAA-05-2025-0034

Proceeding to Assess a Civil Penalty Under Section 205(c)(1) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7524(c)(1)

Respondent.

# **Consent Agreement and Final Order**

## A. Preliminary Statement

1. This is an administrative penalty assessment proceeding commenced and concluded under Section 205(c)(1) of the Clean Air Act (the CAA), 42 U.S.C. § 7524(c)(1), and Sections 22.1(a)(2), 22.13(b)and 22.18(b)(2) and (3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), as codified at 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.1(a)(2), 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2) and (3).

2. Complainant is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA Administrator has delegated the authority to settle civil administrative penalty proceedings under Section 205(c) of the CAA to the Division Director of the Region 5 Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division.

3. Respondent is All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC), a

Michigan limited liability company doing business in Michigan. Respondent is a "person," as defined in Section 302(e) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7602(e).

4. The EPA and Respondent agree that settling this action is in the public interest and consent to the entry of this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) without the adjudication of any issues of law or fact.

5. Respondent agrees to comply with the terms of this CAFO.



#### **B.** Jurisdiction

6. The alleged violations in this CAFO are pursuant to Section 203(a) of the CAA.

7. On December 17, 2021, the EPA issued to Respondent a Finding of Violation (FOV), providing notice to Respondent that the EPA found Respondent committed the alleged violations described in Section E of this CAFO and providing Respondent an opportunity to confer with the EPA. On January 19, 2022, representatives of Respondent and the EPA conferred regarding the December 17, 2021 FOV.

8. The Regional Judicial Officer of Region 5 is authorized to ratify the consent agreement memorializing the settlement between the EPA and Respondent and to issue the attached Final Order. 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.4(b) and 22.18(b).

#### C. Statutory and Regulatory Background

9. This proceeding arises under Part A of Title II of the CAA, CAA §§ 202-219, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7521-7554, and the regulations promulgated thereunder. These laws aim to reduce emissions from mobile sources of air pollution.

10. The CAA requires EPA to prescribe and revise, by regulation, standards applicable to the emission of any air pollutant from new motor vehicles or new motor vehicle engines which cause or contribute to air pollution, which may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare. *See* CAA §§ 202(a)(I) and (3)(8), 42 U.S.C. §§ 7521(a)(I) and (3)(8).

11. Section 203(a)(1) of the CAA prohibits a vehicle manufacturer from selling a new motor vehicle in the United States unless the vehicle is covered by a certificate of conformity (COC). *See* 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(1).

12. "Motor vehicle" means any self-propelled vehicle designed for transporting persons or property on a street or highway. *See* Section 216(2) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7550(2); *See also* 40 C.F.R. § 85.1703.

13. "Motor vehicle engine" means an engine that is designed to power a motor vehicle. *See* Section 216(3) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7550(3).

14. EPA issues COCs to motor vehicle and motor vehicle engine manufacturers to certify that a particular group of motor vehicles or motor vehicle engines conforms to applicable EPA requirements governing motor vehicle emissions. *See* Section 206(a) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7525(a).

15. EPA promulgated emissions standards for particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, hydrocarbons, and other pollutants applicable to motor vehicles and motor vehicle engines. *See* Section 202 of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7521; 40 C.F.R. Part 86.

16. To meet the emission standards in 40 C.F.R. Part 86 and qualify for a COC, motor vehicle and engine manufacturers may utilize devices and elements of design such as exhaust gas recirculation (EGRs), diesel oxidation catalysts (DOCs), diesel particulate filters (DPFs), and/or selective catalytic reduction systems (SCRs).

17. Modern motor vehicles and engines are equipped with electronic control modules (ECMs). ECMs continuously monitor engine and other operating parameters and control the emission control devices and elements of design, such as the engine fueling strategy, EGR/CGIs, DOCs, DPFs, and SCRs.

18. Under Section 202(m) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7521(m), EPA promulgated regulations for motor vehicles manufactured after 2007 that require diesel engine motor vehicles and engines to have numerous devices or elements of design that, working together, can detect problems with the vehicle's emission-related systems, alert drivers to these problems, and store electronically-generated

malfunction information. *See* 40 C.F.R. §§ 86.005-17, 86.007-17, 86.1806-05. These devices or elements of design are referred to as "onboard diagnostic systems" or OBDs.

19. Section 302(e) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7602(e), defines "person" as "an individual, corporation, partnership, association, State, municipality, political subdivision of a State, and any agency, department, or instrumentality of the United States and any officer, agent, or employee thereof."

20. It is unlawful for "any person to remove or render inoperative any device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine in compliance with regulations under [Title II of the CAA] prior to its sale and delivery to the ultimate purchaser, or for any person knowingly to remove or render inoperative any such device or element of design after such sale and delivery to the ultimate purchaser." Section 203(a)(3)(A) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(A), 40 C.F.R. § 1068.101(b)(1). This is also referred to as "tampering."

21. It is unlawful "for any person to manufacture or sell, or offer to sell, or install, any part or component intended for use with, or as part of, any motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine, where a principal effect of the part or component is to bypass, defeat, or render inoperative any device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine in compliance with regulations under [Title II of the CAA], and where the person knows or should know that such part or component is being offered for sale or installed for such use or put to such use." Section 203(a)(3)(B) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(B), 40 C.F.R. § 1068.101(b)(2). These parts or components are also referred to as "defeat devices."

22. The Administrator of EPA may assess a civil penalty of up to \$5,761 per motor vehicle, motor vehicle engine, or part or component for violations of Section 203(a) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C.

§ 7522(a), that occurred after November 2, 2015, where penalties are assessed on or after December 27, 2023, under Section 205(a) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7524(a) and 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

#### D. Stipulated Facts

23. Respondent is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Michigan with a primary place of business located at 227 Industrial Pkwy, Harbor Beach, Michigan 48441.

24. Respondent is a "person," as that term is defined in Section 302(e) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7602(e).

25. "Aftermarket automotive parts" are replacement automotive parts that are not made by the original motor vehicle manufacturer.

26. Respondent is an "aftermarket automotive parts" manufacturer, supplier, and installer located in Harbor Beach, Michigan.

27. On January 8, 2021, under Section 208 of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7542, EPA issued a Request to Provide Information Pursuant to the Clean Air Act (Information Request) to Respondent.

28. On April 19, 2021, Respondent submitted a response to EPA's Information Request (the Response). In this Response, Respondent provided information showing that between January 1, 2018 and until at least January 8, 2021, Respondent sold 271 motor vehicle parts or components or motor vehicle engines where a principal effect of each part or component was to disable, remove, bypass, defeat, or render inoperative air pollution emission control systems installed on or in diesel-powered motor vehicles and motor vehicle engines in compliance with Title II of the CAA. Respondent installed at least 212 of those 271 motor vehicle parts or components on motor vehicles. More specifically, Respondent sold 119 tunes or tuners that bypass or allow for the removal of the EGR and/or exhaust aftertreatment systems (ECM Tuning Products) and installed 92 of those tunes or tuners on motor

vehicles. Respondent sold 79 parts or components that remove or bypass the EGR system or can only operate with the EGR system removed (EGR Delete Hardware Products) and installed at least 62 of those 79 parts or components. Respondent sold 73 parts or components that remove or bypass the DPF and/or other exhaust aftertreatment systems (Aftertreatment Delete Hardware Products) and installed at least 58 of those 73 parts or components.

29. The EGR Delete Hardware, Aftertreatment Delete Hardware, and Tuning Products sold by Respondent are parts or components that were intended for motor vehicles and were designed for use with motor vehicle heavy-duty diesel engines, for which each manufacturer obtained certificates of conformity establishing compliance with CAA emission standards.

#### E. Alleged Violations of Law

30. Respondent knowingly removed and/or rendered inoperative devices or elements of design installed in or on motor vehicles or motor vehicle engines in compliance with the CAA by installing at least 212 EGR Delete Hardware, Aftertreatment Delete Hardware, and/or Tuning Products on or in motor vehicles or motor vehicle engines, in violation of Section 203(a)(3)(A) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(A).

31. Respondent sold, offered for sale, and/or installed at least 271 EGR Delete Hardware, Aftertreatment Delete Hardware, and/or Tuning Products that had a principal effect to bypass, defeat, render inoperative, or allow for the removal of one or more emission control devices or elements of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine. Respondent knew or should have known that such parts or components were being offered for sale or installed for such use or put to such use, in violation of Section 203(a)(3)(B) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(B).

### F. Terms of Consent Agreement

- 32. For the purposes of this proceeding, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b)(2), Respondent:
  - a. admits to the jurisdictional allegations in this CAFO;
  - b. admits to the stipulated facts stated above and neither admits nor denies the alleged violations of law stated above;
  - c. consents to the assessment of a civil penalty as stated below;
  - d. consents to any conditions specified in this CAFO;
  - e. waives any right to contest the alleged violations of law set forth in Section E of this CAFO; and
  - f. waives its right to appeal this CAFO.
- 33. For the purposes of this proceeding, Respondent:
  - a. agrees this CAFO states a claim upon which relief may be granted against Respondent;
  - acknowledges this proceeding constitutes an enforcement action for purposes of considering Respondent's compliance history in any subsequent enforcement actions;
  - c. waives any and all remedies, claims for relief and otherwise available rights to judicial or administrative review that Respondent may have with respect to any issue of fact or law set forth in this CAFO, including any right of judicial review under Section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7607(b)(1); and
  - d. waives any rights it may possess at law or in equity to challenge the authority of the EPA to bring a civil action in a United States District Court to compel compliance with the CAFO, and to seek an additional penalty for noncompliance, and agrees that federal law shall govern in any such civil action.
- 34. Based on analysis of the factors specified in Section 205(c) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C.

§ 7524(c), the facts of this case, Respondent's cooperation, and Respondent's ability to pay, the EPA

has determined that an appropriate civil penalty to settle this action is \$70,000.

35. EPA conducted an analysis of Respondent's financial information and determined

Respondent has a limited ability to pay. Consequently, in accordance with applicable law, EPA

determined that the Assessed Penalty is an appropriate amount to settle this action, which

Respondent consents to pay as follows:

a. The Assessed Penalty will be paid in 12 equal installments, in order to complete payment of the entire Assessed Penalty and interest, which is assessed at the IRS standard underpayment rate. Including the Assessed Penalty and interest, the total amount that will be paid upon completion of all payments will be \$72,620.14. The first payment is due within thirty (30) days after the date the Final Order ratifying this Agreement is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk ("Filing Date"). Respondent's subsequent payments shall thereafter be due in 30-day intervals from said Filing Date.

Payment Number	Payment shall be made no later than	Principal Amount	Interest Amount	Total Payment Amount
1	30 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$0.00	\$5,833.33
2	60 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$748.61	\$6,581.94
3	90 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$340.28	\$6,173.61
4	120 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$306.25	\$6,139.58
5	150 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$272.22	\$6,105.55
6	180 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$238.19	\$6,071.52
7	210 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$204.17	\$6,037.50
8	240 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$170.14	\$6,003.47
9	270 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$136.11	\$5 <i>,</i> 969.44
10	300 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$102.08	\$5,935.41
11	330 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.33	\$68.06	\$5,901.39
12	360 days after the Filing Date.	\$5,833.37	\$34.03	\$5,867.40
Total		\$70,000.00	\$2,620.14	\$72,620.14

b. Respondent shall make payments in accordance with the following schedule

c. Notwithstanding Respondent's agreement to pay the Assessed Penalty in accordance with the installment schedule set forth above, Respondent may pay the entire Assessed Penalty of \$70,000 within thirty (30) days of the Filing Date and, thereby, avoid the payment of interest pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a). In addition, Respondent may, at any time after commencement of payments under

the installment schedule, elect to pay the entire principal balance remaining, together with any interest and other charges accrued up to the date of such full payment.

36. Respondent shall pay the Assessed Penalty and any interest, fees, and other charges

due using any method, or combination of appropriate methods, as provided on the EPA website:

https://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment. For additional instructions see:

https://www.epa.gov/financial/additional-instructions-making-payments-epa.

- 37. When making a payment, Respondent shall:
  - a. Identify every payment with Respondent's name and the docket number of this Agreement, CAA-05-2025-0034,
  - b. Concurrently with any payment or within 24 hours of any payment, Respondent shall serve proof of such payment to the following person(s):

Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 <u>r5hearingclerk@epa.gov</u>

Air Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 <u>R5airenforcement@epa.gov</u>

Matthew R. Dawson Office of Regional Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 <u>dawson.matthew@epa.gov</u>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Finance Center Via electronic mail to: <u>CINWD\_AcctsReceivable@epa.gov</u>

"Proof of payment" means, as applicable, a copy of the check, confirmation of credit card or debit card payment, or confirmation of wire or automated clearinghouse transfer, and any other information required to demonstrate that payment has been made according to EPA requirements, in the amount due, and identified with the appropriate docket number and Respondent's name. 38. Interest, Charges, and Penalties on Late Payments. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717,

31 C.F.R. § 901.9, and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11, if Respondent fails to timely pay the full amount of the

Assessed Penalty per this Agreement, the EPA is authorized to recover, in addition to the amount of

the unpaid Assessed Penalty, the following amounts.

- a. Interest. Interest begins to accrue from the Filing Date. If the Assessed Penalty is paid in full within thirty (30) days, interest accrued is waived. If the Assessed Penalty is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, interest will continue to accrue until any unpaid portion of the Assessed Penalty as well as any interest, penalties, and other charges are paid in full. To protect the interests of the United States the rate of interest is set at the IRS standard underpayment rate, any lower rate would fail to provide Respondent adequate incentive for timely payment.
- b. Handling Charges. Respondent will be assessed monthly a charge to cover EPA's costs of processing and handling overdue debts. If Respondent fails to pay the Assessed Penalty in accordance with this Agreement, the EPA will assess a charge to cover the costs of handling any unpaid amounts for the first thirty (30) day period after the Filing Date. Additional handling charges will be assessed every thirty (30) days, or any portion thereof, until the unpaid portion of the Assessed Penalty as well as any accrued interest, penalties, and other charges are paid in full.
- Late Payment Penalty. A late payment penalty of six percent (6%) per annum, will be assessed monthly on all debts, including any unpaid portion of the Assessed Penalty, interest, penalties, and other charges, that remain delinquent more than ninety (90) days. Any such amounts will accrue from the Filing Date.
- 39. Late Penalty Actions. In addition to the amounts described in the prior Paragraph, if

Respondent fails to timely pay any portion of the Assessed Penalty, interest, or other charges and

penalties per this Agreement, the EPA may take additional actions. Such actions the EPA may take

include, but are not limited to, the following.

- a. Refer the debt to a credit reporting agency or a collection agency, per 40 C.F.R. §§ 13.13 and 13.14.
- Collect the debt by administrative offset (i.e., the withholding of money payable by the United States government to, or held by the United States government for, a person to satisfy the debt the person owes the United States government),

which includes, but is not limited to, referral to the Internal Revenue Service for offset against income tax refunds, per 40 C.F.R. Part 13, Subparts C and H.

- c. Suspend or revoke Respondent's licenses or other privileges, or suspend or disqualify Respondent from doing business with EPA or engaging in programs EPA sponsors or funds, per 40 C.F.R. § 13.17.
- d. Refer this matter to the United States Department of Justice for litigation and collection, per 40 C.F.R. § 13.33.

40. <u>Allocation of Payments</u>. Pursuant to 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(f) and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(d), a partial payment of debt will be applied first to outstanding handling charges, second to late penalty charges, third to accrued interest, and last to the principal that is the outstanding Assessed Penalty amount.

41. <u>Tax Treatment of Penalties</u>. Penalties, interest, and other charges paid pursuant to this Agreement shall not be deductible for purposes of federal taxes.

42. Pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 6050X and 26 C.F.R. § 1.6050X-1, EPA is required to send to the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") annually, a completed IRS Form 1098-F ("Fines, Penalties, and Other Amounts") with respect to any court order or settlement agreement (including administrative settlements), that require a payor to pay an aggregate amount that EPA reasonably believes will be equal to, or in excess of, \$50,000 for the payor's violation of any law or the investigation or inquiry into the payor's potential violation of any law, including amounts paid for "restitution or remediation of property" or to come "into compliance with a law." EPA is further required to furnish a written statement, which provides the same information provided to the IRS, to each payor (i.e., a copy of IRS Form 1098-F). Failure to comply with providing IRS Form W-9 or Tax Identification Number ("TIN"), as described below, may subject Respondent to a penalty, per 26 U.S.C. § 6723, 26 U.S.C. § 6724(d)(3), and 26 C.F.R. § 301.6723-1. In order to provide EPA with sufficient information to enable it to fulfill these obligations, EPA herein requires, and Respondent herein agrees, that:

- Respondent shall complete an IRS Form W-9 ("Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification"), which is available at <u>https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf</u>;
- b. Respondent shall therein certify that its completed IRS Form W-9 includes Respondent's correct TIN or that Respondent has applied and is waiting for issuance of a TIN;
- c. Respondent shall email its completed Form W-9 to EPA's Cincinnati Finance Center at <u>wise.milton@epa.gov</u>, within 30 days after the Final Order ratifying this Agreement is filed, and EPA recommends encrypting IRS Form W-9 email correspondence; and
- d. In the event that Respondent has certified in its completed IRS Form W-9 that it does not yet have a TIN but has applied for a TIN, Respondent shall provide EPA's Cincinnati Finance Center with Respondent's TIN, via email, within five (5) days of Respondent's receipt of a TIN issued by the IRS.
- 43. By signing this CAFO, Respondent consents to the release of any information in this

CAFO to the public and agrees this CAFO does not contain business information that is entitled to confidential treatment under 40 C.F.R. Part 2.

44. By signing this CAFO, the undersigned representative of the EPA and the undersigned representative of Respondent each certify that they are fully authorized to execute and enter into the terms and conditions of this CAFO and have the legal capacity to bind the party they represent to this CAFO.

45. By signing this consent agreement, Respondent waives any rights or defenses that Respondent has or may have for this matter to be resolved in federal court, including but not limited to any right to a jury trial, and waives any right to challenge the lawfulness of the final order accompanying the consent agreement.

46. By signing this CAFO, Respondent certifies the information it has supplied concerning this matter was at the time of submission true, accurate, and complete for each such submission, response, and statement. Respondent acknowledges that, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, there are significant

penalties for submitting false or misleading information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing submission of such information.

47. Each party shall bear its own attorney's fees, costs, and disbursements incurred in this proceeding, except in the case of a civil action brought by the Attorney General of the United States to recover unpaid penalties as described above.

### G. Other Conditions

48. By signing this Consent Agreement, Respondent agrees to the following: (i) Respondent will not remove or render inoperative any emissions-related device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine in violation of Section 203(a)(3)(A) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(A); (ii) Respondent will not manufacture, sell, offer to sell or install any part or component in violation of Section 203(a)(3)(B) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(B); and (iii) Respondent certifies that it has reviewed EPA's November 23, 2020 "Tampering Policy: The EPA Enforcement Policy on <u>Vehicles and Engine Tampering and Aftermarket Defeat Devices under the Clean Air Act.</u>"

49. By the Effective Date of this CAFO, Respondent shall no longer provide any technical support, maintenance, repair, or information pertaining to defeat devices for use with motor vehicles or motor vehicle engines.

50. Respondent certifies it has permanently destroyed all defeat devices remaining in Respondent's inventory and/or possession, by compacting or crushing the defeat devices and all associated parts and components to render them useless.

51. Respondent certifies that it has removed from its webpages and any social media platform(s) all advertisements, photos, videos, and information that relate to performing tampering and/or selling, offering to sell, and/or installing defeat devices (Tampering and/or Defeat Device

Content), except advertisements, photos, videos, or information relating to how to comply with the CAA.

52. Respondent shall provide EPA the web address of each of its webpages and social media platforms and Respondent's certification that it has removed from its webpages and social media platforms all Tampering and Defeat Device Content and that its webpages and social media platforms do not and will not contain any Tampering and/or Defeat Device Content.

53. Within 14 calendar days of the Effective Date of this CAFO, Respondent shall post a publicly accessible announcement about Respondent's settlement with EPA prominently on Respondent's current webpages and social media platforms. The announcement shall remain posted for at least 60 calendar days from the date the announcement is posted. Respondent shall use the text contained in Appendix A (Announcement) in 12-point font, or another notice reviewed and approved by EPA, to provide such announcement.

54. Respondent must submit the information required by this CAFO via electronic mail to <u>demma.carlo@epa.gov</u> and <u>r5airenforcement@epa.gov</u> accompanied by the following statement signed by one of its officers:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have examined and am familiar with the information in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment."

55. Failure to comply with Paragraph 48 of this CAFO may constitute a violation or violations of Section 203(a)(3)(A) and/or (B) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7522(a)(3)(A) and/or (B), and Respondent could be subject to penalties up to the statutory civil penalties listed in 40 C.F.R. § 19.4.

56. By signing this Consent Agreement, Respondent certifies that any information or representation it has supplied or made to EPA concerning this matter was, at the time of submission true, accurate, and complete and that there has been no material change regarding the truthfulness, accuracy or completeness of such information or representation. In entering into this agreement, EPA relied on such information and representations. EPA shall have the right to institute further actions to recover appropriate relief if EPA obtains evidence that any information provided and/or representations made by Respondent to EPA regarding matters relevant to this CAFO, including information about Respondent's ability to pay a penalty, are false or, in any material respect, inaccurate. This right shall be in addition to all other rights and causes of action that EPA may have, civil or criminal, under law or equity in such event. Respondent is aware that the submission of false or misleading information to the United States government may subject a person to separate civil and/or criminal liability.

#### H. Effect of Consent Agreement and Attached Final Order

57. The parties consent to service of this CAFO by e-mail at the following e-mail addresses: <u>dawson.matthew@epa.gov</u> (for the EPA), and <u>stewart@hassancables.com</u> (for Respondent).

58. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(c), completion of the terms of this CAFO resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations and facts specifically alleged in this CAFO.

59. This CAFO constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties and supersedes any prior agreements or understandings, whether written or oral, among the parties with respect to this matter.

60. The terms, conditions, and compliance requirements of this CAFO may not be modified or amended except upon the written agreement of both parties and approval of the Regional Judicial Officer.

61. Any violation of this CAFO may result in a civil judicial action for an injunction or civil penalties of up to \$121,275 per day per violation, or both, as provided in Section 113(b) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(b), and 40 C.F.R. § 19.4., as well as criminal sanctions as provided in Section 113(c) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(c). The EPA may use any information submitted under this CAFO in an administrative, civil judicial, or criminal action.

62. Nothing in this CAFO relieves Respondent of the duty to comply with all applicable provisions of the CAA and other federal, state, or local laws or statutes, nor does it restrict the EPA's authority to seek compliance with any applicable laws or regulations, nor is it a ruling on, or determination of, any issue related to any federal, state, or local permit.

63. Nothing in this CAFO limits the power of the EPA to undertake any action against Respondent or any person in response to conditions that may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, welfare, or the environment.

64. The EPA reserves the right to revoke this CAFO and settlement penalty if and to the extent that the EPA finds, after signing this CAFO, that any information provided by Respondent was materially false or inaccurate at the time such information was provided to the EPA, and to assess and collect any civil penalties permitted by statute for any violation described herein. The EPA will give Respondent written notice of its intent to revoke this CAFO, which will not be effective until received by Respondent.

### H. Effective Date

65. This CAFO will be effective after the Regional Judicial Officer executes the attached Final Order, on the date of filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. Upon filing, the EPA will transmit a copy of the filed CAFO to Respondent.

All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC), Respondent

3-4-2025

Date

Anthony D. Burkhard Owner/President All Season Service and Sales LLC d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC

## United States Environmental Protection Agency, Complainant

Michael D. Harris Division Director Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5

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### Final Order

This Consent Agreement and Final Order, as agreed to by the parties, shall become effective

immediately upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk. This Final Order concludes this proceeding

pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31. IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date

Ann L. Coyle Regional Judicial Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5

## Appendix A:

## Announcement

On \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date, All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC) entered into a settlement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to resolve alleged violations of Section 203(a)(3)(A) and 203(a)(3)(B) of the Clean Air Act, related to the removal and/or rendering inoperative of emission control devices and elements of design and the manufacturing selling, offering to sell, and/or installing defeat devices for use on heavy-duty diesel engines.

By signing a consent agreement with EPA, All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC) has certified that it will comply with Section 203(a)(3) of the CAA, which makes it unlawful for: "(A) any person to remove or render inoperative any device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine in compliance with regulations under [Title II of the CAA] prior to its sale and delivery to the ultimate purchasers, or for any person knowingly to remove or render inoperative any such device or element of design after such sale and delivery to the ultimate purchaser; or (B) for any person to manufacture or sell, or offer to sell, or install, any part or component intended for use with, or as part of, any motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine, where a principal effect of the part or component is to bypass, defeat, or render inoperative any device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle engine in compliance with regulations under [Title II of the CAA], and where the person knows or should know that such part or component is being offered for sale or installed for such use or put to such use."

All Season Service and Sales LLC (d/b/a Dirty Hooker Diesel LLC) will pay a penalty of \$70,000 and comply with the consent agreement to ensure ongoing compliance with the Clean Air Act.

If you have any questions regarding this announcement, please ask for Tony Burkhard.

Thank you, Anthony D. Burkhard