

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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DOCKET NO	O.: C	WA-08-2007-0020	
IN THE MATTER OF:	)		
HUNT BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.	)	FINAL ORDER	
RESPONDENT.	)		

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §22.18, of EPA's Consolidated Rules of Practice, the Consent Agreement resolving this matter is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. The Respondent is hereby **ORDERED** to comply with all of the terms of the Consent Agreement, effective immediately upon receipt by Respondent of this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

so ordered this 19th Day of December, 2007

Elyana R. Sutih Regional Judicial Officer

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IN THE MATTER OF:	)			
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Hunt Building Company, Ltd.,	)			
	)	CONSENT AGREEMENT		
	)	Docket No. CWA-08-2007-0	020	
Respondent.	)			
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Complainant, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 (EPA) and Respondent, Hunt Building Company, Ltd., by their undersigned representatives, hereby consent and agree as follows:

- On September 11, 2007, Complainant issued a Penalty Complaint and Notice of
  Opportunity for Hearing alleging violations of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1251, et seq.
  The Complaint proposed a civil penalty for the violations alleged therein.
- Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations of the Complaint and admits or denies
  the specific factual allegations of the Complaint as set forth in its Answer and Request for
  Hearing.
- 3. Respondent waives its right to a hearing before any tribunal to contest any issue of law or fact set forth in the Complaint or in this Consent Agreement.
- 4. Complainant asserts that settlement of this matter is in the public interest, and Complainant and Respondent agree that entry of this Consent Agreement without further litigation is the most appropriate means of resolving this matter.
- 5. This Consent Agreement, upon incorporation into a final order, applies to and is binding upon EPA and upon Respondent and Respondent's successors and assigns. Any change in

ownership or corporate status of Respondent, including, but not limited to, any transfer of assets or real or personal property, shall not alter Respondent's responsibilities under this agreement.

This Consent Agreement contains all the terms of the settlement agreed to by the parties.

- 6. Respondent consents and agrees, solely for the purposes of settlement and without admission of any violation, to pay a civil penalty in the amount of thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$39,000.00) in the manner described in this paragraph:
  - a. Payment is due within 30 calendar days from the date written on the final order issued by the Regional Judicial Officer that adopts this Consent Agreement. If the due date falls on a weekend or legal federal holiday, the due date is the next business day. Payments must be received by 12:00 p.m. Central Standard Time to be considered as received that day.
  - b. Payment shall be made by one of the following methods:

#### Payment by cashier's or certified check:

A cashier's or certified check, including the name and docket number of this case, for this amount, payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

Regular Mail:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

Overnight Mail:

U.S. Bank 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

#### ii. Wire Transfer:

Wire transfers should be directed to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York with the following information:

ABA = 021030004 Account = 68010727 SWIFT address = FRNYUS33 33 Liberty Street New York, NY 10045

Field Tag 4200 of the Fedwire message should read "D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency"

#### iii. On Line Payment:

This option is available through the Department of Treasury. <a href="https://www.pay.gov">www.pay.gov</a>
Enter sfo 1.1 in the search field
Open form and complete the required fields.

 A copy of the check or record of payment if sent by other means shall be sent simultaneously to:

> Darcy O'Connor NPDES Enforcement Unit Technical Enforcement Program (8ENF-W-NP) U.S. EPA Region 8 1595 Wynkoop St. Denver, CO 80202-1129

and

Tina Artemis Regional Hearing Clerk (8RC) U.S. EPA Region 8 1595 Wynkoop Denver, CO 80202-1129

- d. In the event payment is not received by the specified due date, interest accrues from the date of the final order, not the due date, at a rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717, and will continue to accrue until payment in full is received (i.e., on the first late day, 30 days of interest accrues).
- e. In addition, a handling charge of fifteen dollars (\$15) shall be assessed on the 31<sup>st</sup> day from the date of the final order, and each subsequent thirty day period that the debt, or any portion thereof, remains unpaid. In addition, a six percent (6%) per annum penalty shall be assessed on any unpaid principal amount if payment is not received within 90 days of the due date (i.e. the 121<sup>st</sup> day from the date the final order is signed). Payments are first applied to handling charges, 6% penalty interest, late interest, and any balance is then applied to the outstanding principal amount.
- f. Respondent agrees that the payment provided for herein shall never be claimed as a federal or other tax deduction or credit.
- 7. Nothing in this Consent Agreement shall relieve Respondent of the duty to comply with the Clean Water Act and its implementing regulations.
- 8. Failure by Respondent to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Agreement shall constitute a breach of the Consent Agreement and may result in referral of the matter to the Department of Justice for enforcement of this agreement and for such other relief as may be appropriate.

- 9. Nothing in this Consent Agreement shall be construed as a waiver by the EPA or any other federal entity of its authority to seek costs or any appropriate penalty associated with any collection action instituted as a result of Respondent's failure to perform pursuant to the terms of this Consent Agreement.
- 10. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he/she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and to bind Respondent to the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement.
- 11. The parties agree to submit this Consent Agreement to the Regional Judicial Officer, with a request that it be incorporated into a final order.
- 12. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees in connection with this matter.
- 13. This Consent Agreement, upon incorporation into a final order by the Regional Judicial Officer and full satisfaction by the parties, shall be a complete and full civil settlement of the specific violations alleged in the Complaint.

In the Matter of Hunt Building Company, Ltd. Docket No. CWA-08-2007-0020

> UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 8 Office of Enforcement, Compliance, and Environmental Justice, Complainant.

Date:

Darcy O'Connor, Unit Chief NPDES Enforcement Unit

By:

David J. Janik, Supervisory Enforcement Attorney
Legal Enforcement Program

Date: 12/17/07

By:

Lorraine M. Ross, Senior Attorney

Legal Enforcement Program

HUNT BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.

Respondent.

Date: 12-13-07

By:

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **CONSENT AGREEMENT/FINAL ORDER** in the matter of **HUNT BUILDING COMPANY**, **LTD.**, **DOCKET NO.: CWA-08-2007-0020** was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on December 19, 2007.

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to Lorraine Ross, Enforcement Attorney, U. S. EPA – Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129. True and correct copies of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt requested on December 19, 2007, to:

Attorney for Respondent:

Joel W. Cantrick Ducker, Montgomery, Aronstein & Bess, P.C. 1560 Broadway, Suite 1400 Denver, CO 80202

E-mailed and Pouch mailed to:

Honorable Barbara A. Gunning U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Administrative Law Judged (1900L) 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460-2001

E-mailed to:

Michelle Angel U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Finance Center 26 W. Martin Luther King Drive (MS-0002) Cincinnati, Ohio 45268

December 19, 2007

Tina Artemis

Paralegal/Regional Hearing Clerk

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