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In the Matter of:	DOCKET NO. TSCA-10-2019-0053		
TruVine Equity, LLC,	EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT		
Boise, Idaho)	AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER		
Respondent.)			

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and FINAL ORDER

- 1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") alleges that TruVine Equity, LLC ("Respondent") failed to comply with Section 402(c) of the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq. ("TSCA").
- 2. Under Section 402(c) of TSCA and 40 C.F.R. § 745.81(a)(2)(ii), Respondent was required to obtain initial firm certification from EPA before performing, offering, or claiming to perform renovations for compensation.
- 3. On December 18, 2018, Respondent obtained a Building Permit, number 18-04500, from the City of Boise Building Department to conduct a renovation for compensation at 402 North Atlantic Street, Boise, Idaho 83706 ("402 Atlantic Property").
- 4. The 402 Atlantic Property was constructed in 1925, prior to 1978, and is target housing within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. § 2681(17).

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- 5. Respondent was not firm certified when it offered, performed or claimed to perform a renovation at the 402 Atlantic Property, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.81(a)(2)(ii).
- 6. In determining the amount of penalty to be assessed, EPA has taken into account the factors specified in Section 16(a)(2)(B) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(2)(B). After considering these factors, EPA has determined, and Respondent agrees that an appropriate penalty to settle this action is \$1,000.
- 7. Upon signing this Expedited Settlement Agreement, Respondent shall deposit the civil penalty amount listed in paragraph 6 by one of the following methods:
 - 7.1 Send a cashier's or certified check or money order with a notation for TSCA-10-2019-0053 payable to the order of the "Treasury of the United States of America" to the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Docket No. TSCA-10-2019-0053 Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

7.2 Send a cashier's or certified check or money order by an overnight/common carrier (e.g., FedEx® or United Parcel Service of America, Inc.) with a notation for TSCA-10-2019-0053 payable to the order of the "Treasury of the United States of America" to the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Government Lockbox 979077 1005 Convention Plaza SL-MO-C2-GL St. Louis, Missouri 63101 7.3 Make an electronic deposit for payment (Vendor Express, Fedwire, Pay.gov) at http://www2.epa.gov/financial/makepayment following the online directions for an electronic funds transfer (EFT).

8. Concurrently with the deposit under paragraph 7, Respondent shall forward the <u>original signed Expedited Settlement Agreement</u>, a copy of the cashier's or certified check or money order or documentation of a wire transfer to the following address:

Kim Farnham, Lead Compliance Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, Mail Stop OCE-101 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155 Seattle, Washington 98101

By written notice to Respondent, EPA may change the address and/or person listed above.

9. EPA is authorized to enter into this Expedited Settlement Agreement ("Agreement"), and this proceeding for the assessment of a civil penalty is simultaneously commenced and concluded, pursuant to Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b).

10. In signing this Agreement, for purposes of this proceeding, Respondent: (a) admits that EPA has jurisdiction over Respondent and Respondent's conduct as alleged herein; (b) neither admits nor denies the factual allegations in this Agreement; (c) consents to the assessment of this penalty; and (d) waives any right to contest the allegations contained in this Agreement, and its right to appeal the attached Final Order.

11. By its signature below, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that Respondent: (a) is currently in compliance with the firm certification requirements as stated in 40 C.F.R. §

In the Matter of: TruVine Equity, LLC Docket Number: TSCA-10-2019-0053 Expedited Settlement Agreement Page 3 of 5 745.81(a)(2)(ii); (b) agrees to provide a deposit for payment of the civil penalty as set forth in

Paragraph 6; (c) agrees to submit a true and accurate proof of deposit for payment of the civil

penalty as set forth in Paragraph 7; and (d) agrees to release said deposit for payment to EPA

upon entry of the Final Order attached hereto.

12. Upon the effective date of this Agreement and subsequent payment of the civil

penalty as set forth in paragraph 6, Respondent shall be resolved of liability for Federal civil

penalties for the violation(s) and facts alleged herein.

13. The penalty, including interest, paid by Respondent pursuant to the requirements

of this Agreement, represents civil penalties assessed by EPA, and shall not be deductible for

purposes of federal, state, or local income taxes.

14. 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.

15. Failure of Respondent to remit the civil penalties provided herein will result in

this matter being forwarded to the United States Department of Justice for collection of the

amount due, plus stipulated penalties and interest at the statutory judgment rate provided in 28

U.S.C. § 1961.

16. Each party shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

17. The Agreement authorized by EPA's execution of the Final Order attached hereto

constitutes a final order under 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

18. 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,

Respondent Name (print): JASW ZWEGGE

Respondent Title (print): Home ayner

Respondent Signature:

Date: 4-3-2019

Date: 4/09/3019

APPROVED BY EPA:

Edward J. Kowalski, Director

Office of Compliance and Enforcement

EPA Region 10

FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to the authority of Section 16 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and according to the terms of the Expedited Settlement Agreement, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

The Expedited Settlement Agreement shall be effective upon the filing of the Final Order with the Regional Hearing Clerk for EPA, Region 10. Unless otherwise stated, all time periods stated herein shall be calculated in calendar days from such date.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

RICHARD MEDNICK Regional Judicial Officer

EPA Region 10

Date April 9, 2019

Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER, In the Matter of:** Truvine Equity,

LLC Docket No. TSCA-10-2019-0053, was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk and served on the addressees in the following manner on the date specified below:

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to:

Kim Farnham, Lead-Based Paint Compliance Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, Mail Stop OCE-101 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155 Seattle, WA 98101

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt to:

Mr. Jason Zweigle Owner TruVine Equity, LLC 5920 West Cruzen Street Boise, Idaho 83704

DATED this 10 day of April, 2019. TERESA YOUNG

Regional Hearing Clerk EPA Region 10