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### <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Paul B. Hubler Plant Manager ISP Chemicals LLC Building 5565 Industrial Road Redstone Arsenal, Alabama 35898

SUBJECT: Expedited Settlement Agreement

ISP Chemicals LLC

Docket No. CAA-04-2010-8024(b)

Dear Mr. Hubler:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) that resolves the Clean Air Act (CAA) matter (Docket No. CAA-04-2010-8024(b)) involving ISP Chemicals LLC. The ESA was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 CFR Part 22 and became effective on today's date.

As required by the ESA, within fifteen days of receipt of this letter, a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of \$4140, made out to the "Treasurer, United States of America," should be submitted to one of the following addresses:

For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS)
U.S. Bank
1005 Convention Plaza
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, MO 63101
Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

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The Docket No. should be included on the check. Also, a separate copy of the check and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this ESA should be sent to the following individuals:

Saundi Wilson U. S. EPA Region 4 Office of Environmental Accountability 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303, and

Victor L. Weeks U. S. EPA Region 4 EPCRA Enforcement Section 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Also enclosed, please find 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 Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) any environmental enforcement actions taken by the EPA. If you have any questions with regards to the SEC's environmental disclosure requirements, you may refer to the contact phone number at the bottom of the SEC Notice.

If you have any questions, please call Victor Weeks at (404) 562-9189.

Sincerely,

Caron B. Falconer

Chief, EPCRA Enforcement Section

**Enclosures** 

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

## EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

**DOCKET NO: CAA-04-2010-8024(b)** 

This ESA is issued to:

ISP Chemicals LLC
Building 5565 Industrial Road
Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898

for violating 40 CFR § 68.69, 40 CFR § 68.71, 40 CFR § 68.79 and Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division (Complainant), and by ISP Chemicals LLC (Respondent), pursuant to Section 113(d) of the Clean Air Act (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), and pursuant to 40 CFR § 22.13(b).

#### **ALLEGED VIOLATIONS**

Based on a compliance monitoring inspection conducted at the Respondent's facility located at Building 5565 Industrial Road, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, on December 15, 2009, EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the Act's Chemical Accident Prevention Program when Respondent did not provide evidence that:

It has annually certify that its operating procedures are current and accurate, to assure that the procedures reflect current operating practices as required by 40 CFR § 68.69(c);

It has provided refresher training at least every three years, or more often if necessary, to each employee involved in operating <u>each</u> covered process to assure that the employee understands and adheres to the current operating procedures of the process as required by 40 CFR § 68.71(b);

As part of its training records, it has documented the means used to verify that each employee understood the training as required by 40 CFR § 68.71(c); and

It has conducted compliance evaluations, at least every three years, and based on such evaluations, certified that its accident prevention procedures and practices are adequate and are being followed as required by 40 CFR § 68.79(a).

#### **SETTLEMENT**

In consideration of Respondent's size, its full compliance history, its good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violation cited above, for the total penalty amount of **\$4140**.

This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions: the Respondent by signing below admits the jurisdictional allegations contained herein, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained herein, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above; Respondent waives its rights to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to contest the allegations contained in this ESA; and each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the Respondent has corrected the alleged violation listed in this ESA. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of \$4140. Please note that payment should not be made until after Respondent receives a copy of the fully executed ESA. Within fifteen (15) days of receiving a copy of the fully executed ESA, the Respondent shall send a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of \$4140, in payment of the full penalty amount to one of the following addresses:

> For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS) U.S. Bank 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

The Respondent's name and the Docket Number of this ESA must be included on the check. The Docket Number is located at the top left corner of the first page of this ESA.

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 ESA to:

Saundi Wilson U. S. EPA Region 4 Office of Environmental Accountability 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303, and

Victor L. Weeks U. S. EPA Region 4 EPCRA Enforcement Section 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Upon Respondent's correction of alleged violations and payment of the penalty, EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violation of the Act referenced in this ESA. EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the Act or any other statute.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

FOR RESPONDENT:

S.B. Huble	Date: 7\27\10
Name (print): P.B. Hubler.	<u> </u>
Title (print): PLANT MGR	
ISP Chemicals LLC	

FOR COMPLAINANT:

Carol L. Kemker Acting Director

Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division

Region 4

I hereby ratify the ESA and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.

Susan B. Schub

Regional Judicial Officer

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Date: 8/26//0

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement, in the matter of ISP Chemicals LLC, CAA-04-2010-8024(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Caron B. Falconer
U. S. EPA - Region 4
Air, Pesticides and Toxics
Management Division
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

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Ellen Rouch
U. S. EPA - Region 4
Office of Environmental Accountability
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

Mr. Paul B. Hubler Plant Manager ISP Chemicals LLC Building 5565 Industrial Road Redstone Arsenal, Alabama 35898 (Via Certified Mail -Return Receipt Requested)

Date: (Mgust 30, 2010

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk
Unites States Environmental Protection Agency

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