

**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 REGION III
 1650 Arch Street
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029**

In the Matter of:)	
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EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION)	
)	U.S. EPA Docket Number
RESPONDENT,)	RCRA-03-2009-0019
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)	Proceeding Under Section 9006 of the
)	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act,
Exxon Service Station No.2-3507)	as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 6991e
264 Missouri Avenue NW)	
Washington, D.C. 20011)	
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FACILITY.)	
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CONSENT AGREEMENT

This Consent Agreement (“CA”) is entered into by the Director, Land and Chemicals Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (“EPA” or “Complainant”) and Exxon Mobil Corporation (“Respondent”), pursuant to Section 9006 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e, and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (“Consolidated Rules”), 40 C.F.R. Part 22, including, specifically 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and .18(b)(2) and (3).

This CA and the Final Order (collectively “CAFO”), resolve violations of RCRA Subtitle I, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, and the District of Columbia’s federally authorized underground storage tank program by Respondent in connection with its underground storage tanks at Respondent’s facility located at 264 Missouri Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20011 (the “Facility”).

Effective May, 4, 1998, pursuant to Section 9004 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991c, and 40 C.F.R. Part 281, Subpart A, the District of Columbia was granted final authorization to administer a state UST management program *in lieu* of the Federal UST management program

established under Subtitle I of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m. The provisions of the District of Columbia UST management program, through this final authorization, are enforceable by EPA pursuant to Section 9006 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e. The District of Columbia's authorized UST program regulations are set forth in the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Title 20, Chapters 55 *et seq.*, and will be cited hereinafter as 20 DCMR §§ 5500 *et seq.*

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. For purposes of this proceeding only, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth in this CAFO.
2. Respondent neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations and conclusions of law set forth in this CAFO, except as provided in Paragraph 1, above.
3. Respondent agrees not to contest EPA's jurisdiction with respect to the execution of this CA, the issuance of the attached Final Order ("FO"), or the enforcement of the CAFO.
4. For the purposes of this proceeding only, Respondent hereby expressly waives its right to a hearing on any issue of law or fact set forth in this CA and any right to appeal the accompanying FO.
5. Respondent consents to the issuance of this CAFO, and agrees to comply with its terms and conditions.
6. Each Party shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees.
7. The person signing this CA on behalf of the Respondent certifies to EPA by his signature herein that Respondent, to its knowledge, as of the date of this CA, is in compliance with the provisions of RCRA applicable to a facility "owner", Subtitle I, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, and the District of Columbia's federally authorized underground storage tank program set forth at 20 DCMR §§ 5500 *et seq.* at the Facility referenced herein.
8. The provisions of this CAFO shall be binding upon Respondent, and its officers, directors, employees, successors and assigns.
9. This CAFO shall not relieve Respondent of its obligation to comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state or local law, nor shall it be construed to be a ruling on, or determination of, any issue related to any federal, state or local permit, nor does this CAFO constitute a waiver, suspension or modification of the requirements of RCRA Subtitle I, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6991-6991m, or any regulations promulgated thereunder.

10. Complainant shall have the right to institute further actions to recover appropriate relief if Complainant obtains evidence that the information provided and/or representations made by Respondent to EPA regarding matters at issue in the Complaint are false or, in any material respect, inaccurate. Respondent is aware that the submission of false or misleading information to the United States government may subject Respondent to separate civil and/or criminal liability.
11. Respondent agrees not to deduct for civil taxation purposes the civil penalty specified in this Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order.
12. EPA has given the District of Columbia prior notice of the issuance of this CAFO in accordance with Section 9006(a)(2) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(a)(2).

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

13. The United States Environmental Protection Agency - Region III ("EPA" or the "Region") and EPA's Office of Administrative Law Judges have jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 9006 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e, 40 C.F.R. Part 280 and 40 C.F.R. § 22.1(a)(4) and .4(c).
14. At all times relevant to this CAFO, Exxon Mobil Corporation ("Respondent") has been a New Jersey corporation doing business in the District of Columbia .
15. Respondent is a "person" as defined in Section 9001(5) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(5), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1.
16. At all times relevant to this CAFO, Respondent has been the "owner" as that term is defined in Section 9001(4) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(4), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, of the "underground storage tanks" ("USTs") and "UST systems" as those terms are defined in Section 9001(10) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(10), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, located at the Facility.
17. On January 23, 2008, an EPA representative conducted a Compliance Evaluation Inspection ("CEI") of the Facility pursuant to Section 9005 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991d.
18. At the time of the January 23, 2008 CEI, and at all times relevant to the applicable violations alleged herein, four (4) USTs were located at the Facility. Only one of those USTs, as described in the following subparagraph, is relevant to the allegations contained herein:

- A. A 1,000 gallon, fiberglass-reinforced-plastic tank that was installed in or about April 1, 1982 and that, at all times relevant hereto, routinely contained and was used to store used oil, a “regulated substance” as that term is defined in Section 9001(7) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(7), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1 (hereinafter “UST No. 4”).
19. From August 1, 2004 to July 1, 2008, UST No. 4 has been a “petroleum UST system” and “existing UST system” as these terms are defined in 20 DCMR § 6899.1, respectively.
20. UST No. 4 is and was at all times relevant to the applicable violation alleged in this CAFO, used to store used oil, a “regulated substance” at Respondent’s Facility, as defined in Section 9001(7) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991(7), and 20 DCMR § 6899.1, and have not been “empty” as that term is defined at 20 DCMR § 6100.7.

COUNT I

(Failure to perform release detection on UST No. 4)

21. The allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 20 of this CAFO are incorporated herein by reference.
22. 20 DCMR § 6000.1 provides that each owner and operator of a new or existing UST system shall provide a method, or combination of methods, of release detection that meets the requirements described therein.
23. Pursuant to 20 DCMR §§ 6003.1 through 6003.5, tanks which are part of a petroleum UST system must be monitored at least every 30 days for releases using one of the methods listed in 20 DCMR §§ 6008 through 6012, except that: (1) prior to December 22, 1995, certain UST systems could have been monitored using a combination of inventory control and tank tightness testing in compliance with the requirements of 20 DCMR §§ 6005 through 6007; and (2) tanks with a capacity of 550 gallons or less may use weekly tank gauging conducted in accordance with 20 DCMR § 6006.
25. From August 1, 2004 until July 1, 2008, Respondent’s UST No. 4 has not been monitored in compliance with any of the methods set forth in 20 DCMR § 6003 through 6003.5 and/or 20 DCMR §§ 6005 through 6012.
26. Respondent’s acts and/or omissions as alleged in Paragraph 25, above, constitute violations by Respondent of 20 DCMR §§ 6000.1 and 6003.

CIVIL PENALTY

27. In settlement of Complainant's claims for civil penalties for the violations alleged in this CA, Respondent agrees to pay a civil penalty in the amount of **\$4,352.00**. The civil penalty amount is due and payable immediately upon Respondent's receipt of a true and correct copy of this CAFO. If Respondent pays the entire civil penalty of **\$4,352.00** within thirty (30) calendar days of the date on which this CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to Respondent, no interest will be assessed against Respondent pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a)(1).
28. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717 and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11, EPA is entitled to assess interest, administrative costs and late payment penalties on outstanding debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the costs of processing and handling a delinquent claim, as more fully described below.
29. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a), interest on any civil penalty assessed in a CAFO begins to accrue on the date that a copy of the CAFO is mailed or hand-delivered to the Respondent. However, EPA will not seek to recover interest on any amount of such civil penalty that is paid within thirty (30) calendar days after the date on which such interest begins to accrue. Interest will be assessed at the rate of the United States Treasury tax and loan rate in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(a).
30. The costs of the Agency's administrative handling of overdue debts will be charged and assessed monthly throughout the period a debt is overdue. 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(b). Pursuant to Appendix 2 of EPA's *Resources Management Directives - Cash Management*, Chapter 9, EPA will assess a \$15.00 administrative handling charge for administrative costs on unpaid penalties for the first thirty (30) day period after the payment is due and an additional \$15.00 for each subsequent thirty (30) days the penalty remains unpaid.
31. A late payment penalty of six percent per year will be assessed monthly on any portion of a civil penalty which remains delinquent more than ninety (90) calendar days. 40 C.F.R. § 13.11(c). Should assessment of the penalty charge on a debt be required, it shall accrue from the first day payment is delinquent. 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(d).
32. The aforesaid settlement amount was based upon Complainant's consideration of a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the statutory factors of the seriousness of Respondent's violations and any good faith efforts by Respondent to comply with all applicable requirements as provided in RCRA Section 9006(c) and (d), 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(c) and (d), and with EPA's Penalty Guidance for Violations of UST Regulations ("UST Guidance") dated November 4, 1990.

33. Respondent shall remit the payment for the civil penalty specified in Paragraph 27, above, payable to United States Treasury, using one of the payment methods set forth below:

By regular U.S. Postal Service:

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

For overnight deliveries, street address:

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Fines and Penalties
U.S. Bank
1005 Convention Plaza
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, MO 63101
Contact: Natalie Pearson
314-418-4087

Wire transfers:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York
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"

Automated Clearing House (ACH) Transfers:

PNC Bank
ABA = 051036706
Transaction Code 22 -checking
Account 310006
CTX Format
Environmental Protection Agency
808 17th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20074
Contact: Jesse White 301-887-6548

On-Line Payment:

www.pay.gov

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34. Payments by Respondent shall reference such Respondent's name and address and the Docket Number of this action RCRA-03-2009-0019.
35. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a notice of such payment, including a copy of any check or electronic transfer, as appropriate, to:

Lydia Guy
Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region III (Mail Code 3RC00)
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

and

Joyce A. Howell
Senior Assistant Regional Counsel
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region III (Mail Code 3RC30)
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

FULL AND FINAL SATISFACTION

36. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of its claims for civil penalties pursuant to 9006(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(a), for the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

37. EPA reserves the right to commence action against any person, including Respondent, in response to any condition which EPA determines may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, public welfare, or the environment. In addition, this settlement is subject to all limitations on the scope of resolution and to the reservation of rights set forth in Section 22.18(c) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice. Further, EPA reserves any rights and remedies available to it under RCRA, the regulations promulgated thereunder, and any other federal laws or regulations for which
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EPA has jurisdiction, to enforce the provisions of this CAFO, following its filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

38. Nothing in this CAFO shall relieve Respondent of any duties otherwise imposed on it by applicable federal, state or local law and/or regulations.

AUTHORITY TO BIND THE PARTIES

39. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and bind Respondent hereto.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

40. This Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order constitute the entire agreement and understanding of the parties concerning settlement of the above-captioned action and there are no representations, warranties, covenants, terms or conditions agreed upon between the parties other than those expressed in this Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order.

EFFECTIVE DATE

41. This CAFO shall become effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

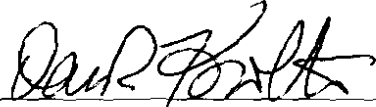
TERMINATION

42. The CAFO shall terminate after EPA acknowledges Respondent has complied with all of its obligations under this CA, specifically as set forth in paragraphs 27 and 33.

For Respondent:

EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION


12/15/08
Date


by: Darin R. Knowlton
ExxonMobil-Fuels Marketing
U.S. M & R Manager JRS

For Complainant:


U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,
Region III

12/8/2008
Date


Joyce A. Howell
Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

After reviewing the foregoing Consent Agreement and other pertinent information, the Land and Chemicals Division, EPA Region III, recommends that the Regional Administrator or the Regional Judicial Officer issue the Final Order attached hereto.

12/29/08
Date

By: 
Abraham Ferdas, Director
Land and Chemicals Management **DIVISION**
Division, EPA Region III

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FINAL ORDER)

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FINAL ORDER


Complainant, the Director, Land and Chemicals Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region III, and Respondent, Exxon Mobil Corporation, have executed a document entitled "Consent Agreement" which I hereby ratify as a Consent Agreement in accordance with the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties

and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules of Practice"), 40 C.F.R. Part 22. The terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement are accepted by the undersigned and incorporated herein as if set forth at length.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO Section 22.18(b)(3) of the *Consolidated Rules of Practice* and Section 9006(c) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(c) ("RCRA"), and having determined, based on the representations of the parties in the attached Consent Agreement, that the civil penalty agreed to therein was based upon a consideration of the factors set forth in Section 9006(c) and (d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6991e(c) and (d), **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent pay a civil penalty of \$4,352.00 in accordance with the payment provisions set forth in the attached Consent Agreement, and comply with each of the additional terms and conditions as specified in the attached Consent Agreement.

The effective date of this Final Order and the accompanying Consent Agreement is the date on which the Final Order, signed by the Regional Administrator of U.S. EPA Region III or the Regional Judicial Officer, is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk of U.S. EPA - Region III.

Date: 1/26/09


Renee Sarajian
Regional Judicial Officer
U.S. EPA, Region III

BEFORE UNITED STATES
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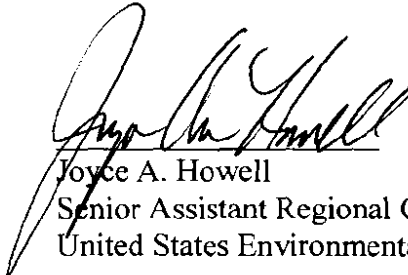
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the date noted below, I sent by Federal Express, a copy of the
CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER to the addressee listed below. The original
and two copies of the same were hand-delivered to the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA
Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029.

Jeffrey I. Butvinik, Esq.
Exxon Mobil Corporation
Room 3D 1707
3225 Gallows Road
Fairfax, VA 22037-0001

Date:

1/26/2009



Joyce A. Howell
Senior Assistant Regional Counsel
United States Environmental Protection Agency

NOTICE OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION REGISTRANTS' DUTY TO DISCLOSE ENVIRONMENTAL LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Securities and Exchange Commission regulations require companies registered with the SEC (e.g., publicly traded companies) to disclose, on at least a quarterly basis, the existence of certain administrative or judicial proceedings taken against them arising under Federal, State or local provisions that have the primary purpose of protecting the environment. Instruction 5 to Item 103 of the SEC's Regulation S-K (17 CFR 229.103) requires disclosure of these environmental legal proceedings. For those SEC registrants that use the SEC's "small business issuer" reporting system, Instructions 1-4 to Item 103 of the SEC's Regulation S-B (17 CFR 228.103) requires disclosure of these environmental legal proceedings.

If you are an SEC registrant, you have a duty to disclose the existence of pending or known to be contemplated environmental legal proceedings that meet any of the following criteria (17 CFR 229.103(5)(A)-(C)):

- A. Such proceeding is material to the business or financial condition of the registrant;
- B. Such proceeding involves primarily a claim for damages, or involves potential monetary sanctions, capital expenditures, deferred charges or charges to income and the amount involved, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds 10 percent of the current assets of the registrant and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis; or
- C. A governmental authority is a party to such proceeding and such proceeding involves potential monetary sanctions, unless the registrant reasonably believes that such proceeding will result in no monetary sanctions, or in monetary sanctions, exclusive of interest and costs, of less than \$100,000; provided, however, that such proceedings which are similar in nature may be grouped and described generically.

Specific information regarding the environmental legal proceedings that must be disclosed is set forth in Item 103 of Regulation S-K or, for registrants using the "small business issuer" reporting system, Item 103(a)-(b) of Regulation S-B. If disclosure is required, it must briefly describe the proceeding, "including the name of the court or agency in which the proceedings are pending, the date instituted, the principal parties thereto, a description of the factual basis alleged to underlie the proceedings and the relief sought."

You have been identified as a party to an environmental legal proceeding to which the United States government is, or was, a party. If you are an SEC registrant, this environmental legal proceeding may trigger, or may already have triggered, the disclosure obligation under the SEC regulations described above.

This notice is being provided to inform you of SEC registrants' duty to disclose any relevant environmental legal proceedings to the SEC. This notice does not create, modify or interpret any existing legal obligations, it is not intended to be an exhaustive description of the legally applicable requirements and it is not a substitute for regulations published in the Code of Federal Regulations. This notice has been issued to you for information purposes only. No determination of the applicability of this reporting requirement to your company has been made by any governmental entity. You should seek competent counsel in determining the applicability of these and other SEC requirements to the environmental legal proceeding at issue, as well as any other proceedings known to be contemplated by governmental authorities.

If you have any questions about the SEC's environmental disclosure requirements, please contact the SEC Office of the Special Senior Counsel for Disclosure Operations at (202) 942-1888.