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Mr. Brent Wheeler
Project Manager
Veolia Water North America
3121 Richland Road
Auburn, Alabama 36830

SUBJECT: Expedited Settlement Agreement
Northside Pollution Control Facility, Auburn, AL
Docket No. CAA-04-2010-8023(b)

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) that resolves the Clean Air Act (CAA) matter (Docket No. CAA-04-2010-8023(b)) involving Veolia Water North America. The ESA was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 C.F.R. 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 \$1080, 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-04-2010-8023(b)

This ESA is issued to:

Veolia Water North America
3121 Richland Road
Auburn, AL 36830

for violating 40 CFR § 68.65, 40 CFR § 68.69, 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 Veolia Water North America (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 3121 Richland Road, Auburn, Alabama, on August 6, 2009, EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the Act's Chemical Accident Prevention Program when Respondent did not provide evidence that:

As part of its safety information documentation, it has complied and maintained the following information pertaining to the equipment in the process as required by 40 CFR § 68.65(d)(1): (v) ventilation system design; and (vi) design codes and standards employed;

It has developed and implemented written operating procedures that address the following elements found at 40 CFR § 68.69(a): (3) safety and health considerations, including (i) properties of, and hazards presented by the chemicals used in the process; and (iii) control measures to be taken if physical contact or airborne exposure occurs; and (4) safety systems and their functions; and

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As part of its 2007 compliance audit, it documented that deficiencies had been corrected as required by 40 CFR § 68.79(d).

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 **\$1080**.

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 **\$1080**. **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 **\$1080**, in payment of the full penalty amount to one of the following addresses:

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St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS)
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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.

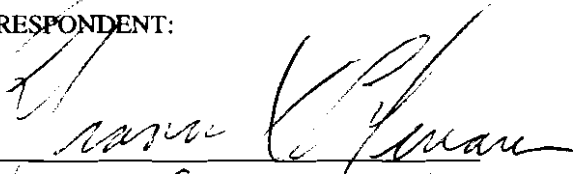
The following individual represents EPA in this matter and is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Caron B. Falconer
U. S. EPA - Region 4
61 Forsyth St., S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
(404) 562-8451

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

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

FOR RESPONDENT:

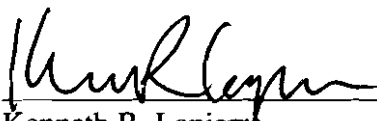

Date: 7/1/10

Name (print): Francis X. Ferrara

Title (print): Vice President


Veolia Water North America

FOR COMPLAINANT:


Date: 6/16/2010

Kenneth R. Lapiere
Acting Director
Air, Pesticides & Toxics
Management Division
Region 4

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


Date: August 9, 2010

Susan B. Schub
Regional Judicial Officer

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 Veolia Water North America, Auburn, Alabama, CAA-04-2010-8023(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)

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

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Mr. Brent Wheeler
Project Manager
Veolia Water North America
3121 Richland Road
Auburn, Alabama 36830

(Via Certified Mail -
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Date: August 10, 2010

for Claudette A. Hancef
Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 4
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
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