

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 1

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Ms. LeAnn Jensen Regional Judicial Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Mail Code 4-MI Boston, MA 02109-3912 Jensen.LeAnn@epa.gov

Re: Proposed Expedited Settlement Agreement

In the Matter of Squire Contracting, LLC;

Docket No. TSCA-01-2024-0059

Dear Ms. Jensen:

In accordance with revised regional procedures, this letter is being transmitted to you via a separate letter sent by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 ("EPA") to the Regional Hearing Clerk ("RHC") regarding the pending settlement of the above-referenced administrative enforcement action against Squire Contracting, LLC ("Respondent"). Both Respondent and EPA have signed an Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") that will settle the case. The ESA executed by the parties is being transmitted to you for your review and approval.

As permitted by 40 C.F.R § 22.13(b), the ESA will both commence and conclude EPA's enforcement action against Respondent. The ESA describes Respondent's alleged violations of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA") and the Renovation, Repair and Painting ("RRP") Rule at properties where Respondent performed renovations in Connecticut. Specifically, Respondent failed to: (1) obtain initial certification from EPA; (2) retain all records necessary to demonstrate compliance with the RRP Rule for at least three years; and (3) obtain written acknowledgement of receipt or a certificate of mailing of the Renovate Right pamphlet.

Under the terms of the ESA, Respondent has agreed to pay a civil monetary penalty of \$7,000 and certify compliance with the RRP Rule. The settlement complies with EPA's *Lead-Based Paint Expedited Settlement Policy*, dated August 2015.

After the ESA has been signed, please transmit the fully executed ESA to the Regional Hearing Clerk for filing and service on the parties. The parties' consent to the use of digital signatures (as well as Respondent's consent to electronic service of the ESA, once filed) is included in the ESA. This settlement does not have any public notice requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the proposed ESA, please contact me at <a href="mailto:murphy.taylor@epa.gov">murphy.taylor@epa.gov</a> or 202-564-0113, and Respondent, Andrew Oehler at <a href="mailto:squireroofing@gmail.com">squireroofing@gmail.com</a> or 860-857-5261. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Taylor Murphy Counsel for Complainant EPA U.S. EPA, OECA, Federal Facilities Enforcement Office

## Attachments:

- 1. Proposed Expedited Settlement Agreement
- 2. Proposed Certificate of Service

cc: Andrew Oehler, Respondent

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