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#### **UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

LC-8J

CERTIFIED MAIL Receipt No. 7009 1680 0000 7666 4127

Ms. Shakurah Malik Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office Civil Process Safety Building, Room 209 821 West State Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

Re: Service of Complaint on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Dear Ms. Malik:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, has filed an administrative complaint for civil penalties against Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield, d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC. EPA has been unsuccessful in serving the complaint upon Ms. Brumfield via certified mail. EPA requests your assistance in this endeavor. Service of the administrative complaint (enclosed) should be served only on Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield, not to exceed three attempts. The enclosed Federal Register document should also be given to Ms. Brumfield upon serving the complaint. It is recommended that service of the complaint be made at or around 5:00 a.m., at the following address:

Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield 3936 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin Telephone: 414-445-8773

EPA requests that the enclosed Affidavit of Personal Service is fully completed, notarized, and returned to EPA within 7 days of serving the complaint on Ms. Brumfield. A photocopy of the completed Affidavit of Personal Service should be emailed to: anderson.christineA@epa.gov. The original document should then be mailed to:

Christine L. Anderson (LC-8J)
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

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EPA understands that the cost of perfoming this service is \$36 for the first attempt, and \$35 each for the second and third attempt. EPA has enclosed a copy of the signed purchase agreement authorizing payment for this service. EPA will fully disburse payment once the complaint has been served and the completed *Affidavit of Personal Service* has been returned. If service of the complaint is unsuccessful, payment will be disbursed once the three attempts have been exhausted.

Should your attempts in serving the complaint be unsuccessful, or should you have any questions about the above, please telephone me at (312) 886-9749.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Christine L. Anderson

Enclosures (5)

Copy of Administrative Complaint (2) Affidavit of Personal Service Copy of Authorized Purchase Agreement Federal Register Document, 40 CFR Part 22

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This is a purchase request for service of an administrative complaint by the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The request is for the amount of \$106.00.

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## **United States** Environmental Protection Agency Washington, DC 20460 PROCUREMENT REQUEST/ORDER 26. Financial And Accounting Data

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### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

JUL 0 8 2010

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

LC-8J

CERTIFIED MAIL

<u>Receipt No. 7009 1680 0000 7670 5646</u>

Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield, d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC 3936 North 18th Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53206

CERTIFIED MAIL Receipt No. 7009 1680 0000 7670 5639

Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield, d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC 5327 West Center Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210

Re: In the Matter of Dessie Brumfield

Dear Ms. Brumfield:

Enclosed is a complaint filed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 against Dessie Brumfield under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a). The complaint alleges violations of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. § 4851 et seq.

As provided in the complaint, if you would like to request a hearing, you must do so in your answer to the complaint. Please note that if you do not file an answer with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604 within 30 days of your receipt of this complaint, a default order may be issued and the proposed civil penalty will become due 30 days later.

In addition, whether or not you request a hearing, you may request an informal settlement conference.



REGIONAL HEARING CLERK
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY

To request a conference, or if you have any questions about this matter, you may contact John Steketee, Associate Regional Counsel at (312) 886-0558.

Sincerely,

Bruce F. Sypniewski

Acting Director

Land and Chemicals Division

**Enclosures** 

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

| In the Matter of:                | ) | Docket No. TSCA-05-2010-0014   |
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| Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield,         | ) |  |
| d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC, | ) | Proceeding to Assess a Civil Penalty   |
| Milwaukee, Wisconsin,            | ) | Under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances                                  |
| Respondent.                      | ) | Under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a) |
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#### Complaint

- 1. This is an administrative proceeding to assess a civil penalty under Section of GENCY the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a).
- 2. The Complainant is, by lawful delegation, the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, Region 5, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 3. The Respondent is Ms. Dessie L. Brumfield, doing business as Brumfield Properties, LLC, a limited liability corporation incorporated in the State of Wisconsin.
- 4. Respondent operates places of business located at 3936 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street and 5327 West Center Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

#### Statutory and Regulatory Background

5. In promulgating the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 4851 *et seq.*, Congress found, among other things, that low-level lead poisoning is widespread among American children, afflicting as many as 3,000,000 children under the age of six. At low levels, lead poisoning in children causes intelligence deficiencies, reading and learning disabilities, impaired hearing, reduced attention span, hyperactivity, and

behavior problems; and the ingestion of household dust containing lead from deteriorating or abraded lead-based paint is the most common cause of lead poisoning in children. Key components of the national strategy to reduce and eliminate the threat of childhood lead poisoning are mandatory disclosure and notification requirements for residential rentals and sales. Section 1018 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4852(d), requires the Administrator of EPA and the Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to promulgate regulations for the disclosure of lead-based paint hazards in target housing which is offered for sale or lease.

- 6. On March 6, 1996, EPA and HUD promulgated regulations codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F and 24 C.F.R. Part 35, Subpart A, Disclosure of Known Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards Upon Sale or Lease of Residential Property (Disclosure Rule) pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 4852d. Owners of more than four residential dwellings must comply with the Disclosure Rule by September 6, 1996, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.102(a).
- 7. The Disclosure Rule implements the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 4852d which impose certain requirements on the sale or lease of target housing.
- 8. 40 C.F.R. § 745.103 defines target housing as any housing constructed prior to 1978, except housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities (unless any child who is less than 6 years of age resides or is expected to reside in such housing) or any 0-bedroom dwelling.
- 9. 40 C.F.R. § 745.103 defines "owner" as any entity that has legal title to target housing, including, but not limited to, individuals, partnerships, corporations, trusts, government agencies, Indian tribes and non-profit organizations.

- 10. 40 C.F.R. § 745.103 defines "lessor" as any entity that offers target housing for lease, rent, or sublease, including but not limited to individuals, partnerships, corporations, trusts, government agencies, housing agencies, Indian tribes, and nonprofit organizations.
- 11. 40 C.F.R. § 745.103 defines "lessee" as any entity that enters into an agreement to lease, rent or sublease target housing, including but not limited to individuals, partnerships, corporations, trusts, government agencies, housing agencies, Indian tribes, and nonprofit organizations.
- 12. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the seller or lessor of target housing complete the required disclosure activities before a purchaser or lessee is obligated under any contract to purchase or lease target housing.
- 13. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b) requires that each contract to lease target housing include, as an attachment or within the contract, a lead warning statement; a statement by the lessor disclosing the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards or the lack of knowledge of such presence; a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paints and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a statement that no such records exist; a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet; and signatures and dates of signatures of the lessor and lessee certifying the accuracy of their statements.
- 14. Under 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(e), failing to comply with the Disclosure Rule violates Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689, which may subject the violator to administrative civil penalties under Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5), and 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(f).

15. The Administrator of EPA may assess a civil penalty of up to \$11,000 for each violation of Section 409 of TSCA that occurred after July 28, 1997 through January 12, 2009, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), and 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

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#### **General Allegations**

- 16. Respondent is an individual who has, and had at all times relevant to this Complaint, legal title to target housing, therefore, Respondent is, and was at all times relevant to this Complaint, an "owner" as defined by 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.
- 17. Between at least March 1, 2007 and January 1, 2009, Respondent owned residential properties at 3072 North 28th Street; 3463 North 13th Street; 2428 West Brown Street; 2230 North Teutonia Road; and 4908 North 40th Street; Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (Respondent's Properties).
  - 18. Respondent's Properties were constructed prior to 1978.
- 19. Respondent's Properties are, and were at all times relevant to this Complaint, "target housing" as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.
- 20. On May 11, 2009, EPA sent Respondent a written request to conduct an inspection of Respondent's business to determine Respondent's compliance with the Disclosure Rule.
- 21. On May 13, 2009, Respondent agreed to allow an EPA representative to conduct an inspection of Respondent's business to determine Respondent's compliance with the Disclosure Rule.
- 22. On May 21, 2009, representatives of EPA conducted an inspection of Respondent's business seeking, among other things, copies of rental agreements and lead-based paint disclosure documentation for rental transactions at residential dwellings owned or managed by

#### Respondent.

23. On the following dates, Respondent entered into the following written lease agreements or contracts with individuals for the lease of Respondent's residential dwellings:

| Address  | Date of Lease    |
|--|------------------|
| 3072 North 28th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin             | January 1, 2009  |
| 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin             | December 1, 2008 |
| 2428 West Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin             | April 15, 2008   |
| 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin           | March 1, 2007    |
| 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin           | May 15, 2008     |
| 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin  | January 1, 2008  |
| 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin | January 1, 2009  |

- 24. Each of the lease agreements or contracts, referenced above in paragraph 23, covered a term of occupancy greater than 100-days.
- 25. Between March 1, 2007 and January 1, 2009, Respondent offered for lease residential dwellings and entered into lease agreements or contracts with individuals to lease those dwellings on the dates listed above in paragraph 23.
- 26. Because Respondent offered the target housing, referenced above in paragraph 23, for lease, Respondent was, at all times relevant to this Complaint, a "lessor" as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.
- 27. Each individual who signed a lease to pay rent in exchange for occupancy of a dwelling, referenced above in paragraph 23, was, at all times relevant to this Complaint, a "lessee" as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.

- 28. On December 14, 2009, EPA advised Respondent by letter that EPA was planning to file a civil administrative complaint against Respondent for specific alleged violations of Section 1018 and that the complaint would seek a civil penalty. EPA asked Respondent to identify any factors Respondent thought EPA should consider before issuing the complaint, including any financial factors. EPA also asked Respondent to submit specific financial documents if Respondent believed there were financial factors which bore on Respondent's ability to pay a civil penalty.
- 29. On December 16, 2009, EPA served by certified mail the December 14, 2009 prefiling notice letter referred to in paragraph 28 above. Respondent acknowledged receipt of but did not reply in writing to the certified letter.
- 30. On several occasions, the latest being May 11, 2010, EPA attempted to contact Respondent by telephone to set up a telephone conference to discuss the proposed filing of an enforcement action in this matter, however, EPA was not able to establish contact with the Respondent.
- 31. On May 19, 2010, EPA obtained a Dun and Bradstreet report on Brumfield Properties, LLC which shows that the Respondent is currently in good standing with the Secretary of State of Wisconsin. In addition, EPA obtained estimated property values of Respondent's Properties, calculated using public tax and property records, which shows that Respondent's Properties have an approximate estimated value of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$400,000).
- 32. Accordingly, based upon all information currently available to EPA, Respondent has substantial real estate assets which could be sold, or used as collateral, to obtain the requisite

revenue to pay the civil penalty proposed in the Complaint, therefore, Respondent has a *prima* facia ability to pay the civil penalty proposed in the Complaint.

#### Count 1

- 33. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 34. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 35. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated December 1, 2008 for 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 36. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 37. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 38. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a Lead Warning Statement.

- 39. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated April 15, 2008 for 2428 West Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 40. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

#### Count 3

- 41. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
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- 43. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated March 1, 2007 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 44. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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45. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.

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- 47. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated May 15, 2008 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 48. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 49. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 50. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 51. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2008 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 52. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of

40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

#### Count 6

- 53. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 54. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 55. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Lead Warning Statement.
- 56. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a Lead Warning Statement for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 57. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 58. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) requires a lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of

knowledge of such presence.

- 59. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 3072 North 28th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 60. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 61. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
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- 63. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated December 2, 2008 for 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in

the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.

64. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 65. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
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- 67. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated April 15, 2008 for 2428 West Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 68. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each

leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 71. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated March 1, 2007 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 72. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 75. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated May 15, 2008 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 76. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 79. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2008 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 80. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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knowledge of such presence.

- 83. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing or a lack of knowledge of such presence.
- 84. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement disclosing either the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being leased or a lack of knowledge of such presence for each leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 85. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 86. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) requires a lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.
- 87. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated December 1, 2008 for 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint

hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.

88. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee, or a statement that no such records are available, for the leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violations of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 89. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 90. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) requires a lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.
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- 95. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated March 1, 2007 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.
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- 99. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated May 15, 2008 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.
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#### Count 18

- 101. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
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- 103. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2008 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.
- 104. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee, or a statement that no such records are available, for the leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violations of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

#### **Count 19**

105. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.

106. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) requires a lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.

107. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee or a statement that no such records are available.

108. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a list of any records or reports available to the lessor regarding lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing that have been provided to the lessee, or a statement that no such records are available, for the leasing transaction referred to above, constitutes a violations of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 110. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(4) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or

as an attachment to each contract, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696.

- 111. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated December 1, 2008 for 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696.
- 112. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 113. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 114. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(4) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696.
  - 115. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the

contract dated April 15, 2008 for 2428 West Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696.

116. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 117. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
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- 119. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated March 1, 2007 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C.§ 2696.
  - 120. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a

statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 123. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated May 15, 2008 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C.§ 2696.
- 124. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

#### Count 24

- 125. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 126. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(4) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R.§ 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696.
- 127. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2008 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C.§ 2696.
- 128. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 129. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
  - 130. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the

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- 131. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C.§ 2696.
- 132. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, a statement by the lessee affirming receipt of the information set out in 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) and (3) and the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2696 for each leasing transaction above, constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R § 745.113(b)(4), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements to the best of their knowledge along with the dates of signature.

- 135. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 3072 North 28th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.
- 136. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

- 137. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1 through 32 of this Complaint as if set forth in this paragraph.
- 138. 40 C.F.R. § 745.100 requires, among other things, that the lessor complete the required disclosure activities before a lessee is obligated under any contract to lease target housing. 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) requires the lessor to include, either within each contract or as an attachment to each contract to lease target housing, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements to the best of their knowledge along with the dates of signature.
- 139. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated December 2, 2008 for 3463 North 13th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates

of such signatures.

140. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 143. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated April 15, 2008 for 2428 West Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.
- 144. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 147. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated March 1, 2007 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.
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- 151. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated May 15, 2008 for 2230 North Teutonia Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.
- 152. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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  - 155. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the

contract dated January 1, 2008 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.

156. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

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- 159. Respondent failed to include, either within the contract or as an attachment to the contract dated January 1, 2009 for 4908 North 40th Street, Unit 4908A, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates of such signatures.
- 160. Respondent's failure to include, either within each contract or as an attachment, the signatures of the lessor and the lessee certifying to the accuracy of their statements and the dates

of such signatures for each leasing transaction constitutes a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6), 15 U.S.C. § 2689, and 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5).

### **Proposed Civil Penalty**

161. Complainant proposes that the Administrator assess a civil penalty against Respondent for the violations alleged in this Complaint as follows:

|                             | Count 1 |                     |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------------------|
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   |         | \$1,550             |
|                             |         | ,                   |
|                             | Count 2 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   | •••••   | \$6,450             |
|                             | Count 1 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and | Count 3 |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   | ••••••  | \$1,550             |
|                             |         |                     |
|                             | Count 4 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   | ,       | \$1,550             |
|                             | Count 5 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   |         | \$1,550             |
|                             | Count 6 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(1)   |         | \$10,320            |
|                             |         | , = = <b>,= = 5</b> |
|                             | Count 7 |                     |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |         |                     |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2)   | •••••   | \$770               |

| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) |          | \$770   |
|--|----------|---------|
|  | Count 9  |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) |          | \$5,160 |
|  | Count 10 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) |          | \$770   |
|  | Count 11 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) |          | \$770   |
|  | Count 12 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2) |          | \$770   |
|  | Count 13 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(2)    |          | \$7,740 |
|  | Count 14 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) |          | \$260   |
|  | Count 15 | 37 1 1  |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) |          | \$1,680 |
|  | Count 16 |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3) |          | \$260   |

| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
|-----------------------------|---|---------|
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3)   | •••••                                   | \$260   |
|                             | Count 10                                |         |
|                             | Count 18                                |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3)   |   | \$260   |
| ,                           | G                                       |         |
|                             | Count 19                                |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(3)   |   | \$2,580 |
|                             |   |         |
|                             | Count 20                                |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4)   | •••••                                   | \$520   |
|                             |   |         |
|                             | <u>Count 21</u>                         |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4)   | •••••                                   | \$3.220 |
|                             |   | ,,      |
|                             | <u>Count 22</u>                         |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4)   | *************************************** | \$520   |
|                             |   | ,       |
|                             | Count 23                                |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4)   |   | \$520   |
|                             |   |         |
|                             | Count 24                                |         |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and |   |         |
| 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4)   | *************                           | \$520   |
|                             |   |         |

| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(4) |                 | \$5160   |
|--|-----------------|----------|
|  | Count 26        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$130    |
|  | Count 27        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$130    |
|  | Count 28        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$640    |
|  | Count 29        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and 40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6)    |                 | \$130    |
|  | <u>Count 30</u> |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$130    |
|  | Count 31        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$130    |
|  | Count 32        |          |
| 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) and<br>40 C.F.R. § 745.113(b)(6) |                 | \$1,290  |
| Total Proposed Civil Penalty                             | •••••           | \$58,060 |

- 162. In determining the amount of any civil penalty, Section 16 of TSCA requires EPA to take into account the nature, circumstances, extent and gravity of the violation or violations alleged and, with respect to the violator, ability to pay, effect on ability to continue to do business, any history of prior such violations, the degree of culpability, and such other factors as justice may require.
- Enforcement Response Policy dated December 2007 (Response Policy). This Response Policy provides a rational, consistent and equitable calculation methodology for applying the statutory factors to particular cases. As discussed in the Response Policy, the severity of each violation alleged in the complaint is based on the extent to which each violation impairs the ability of a lessee to assess information regarding hazards associated with lead-based paint, and precludes the lessee from making a fully informed decision whether to lease the housing or take appropriate measures to protect against lead-based paint hazards. Factors relevant to assessing an appropriate penalty include information pertaining to a Respondent's ability to pay a penalty, any evidence showing that no lead-based paint exists in the cited housing, and any evidence that Respondent has taken steps to discover the presence of and/or has taken steps to abate lead-based paint and its hazards in subject housing.
- 164. As stated in paragraph 28, above, by letter dated December 14, 2009, EPA advised Respondent that EPA was planning to file a civil administrative complaint against Respondent for alleged violations of Section 1018 and that Section 1018 authorizes the assessment of a civil administrative penalty and, as stated in paragraph 31 above, Respondent received the letter and orally responded to the December 14, 2009 notice. In the notice, EPA asked Respondent to

identify any factors Respondent thought EPA should consider before issuing the complaint, and if Respondent believed there were financial factors which bore on Respondent's ability to pay a civil penalty, EPA asked Respondent to submit specific financial documents.

165. Publicly available information obtained by EPA concerning the estimated real property values of Respondent's Properties demonstrates that Respondent has the ability to pay the proposed civil penalty.

166. Respondent, to date, has not claimed an inability to pay the proposed civil penalty and has provided no facts or information to the Agency which would cause EPA to adjust the proposed civil penalty for financial reasons or any other factors related to the alleged violations.

### Rules Governing This Proceeding

The Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules) at 40 C.F.R. Part 22 govern this proceeding to assess a civil penalty. Enclosed with the Complaint is a copy of the Consolidated Rules.

### Filing and Service of Documents

Respondent must file with the Regional Hearing Clerk the original and one copy of each document Respondent intends to include as part of the record in this proceeding. The Regional Hearing Clerk's address is:

Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J) U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

Respondent must serve a copy of each document filed in this proceeding on each party pursuant to Section 22.5 of the Consolidated Rules. Complainant has authorized John Steketee

to receive any answer and subsequent legal documents that Respondent serves in this proceeding. You may telephone Mr. Steketee at (312) 886-0558. His address is:

John P. Steketee (C-14J) Associate Regional Counsel U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

### **Penalty Payment**

Respondent may resolve this proceeding at any time by paying the proposed penalty by certified or cashier's check payable to "Treasurer, United States of America" and by delivering the check to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

Respondent must include the case name and docket number on the check and in the letter transmitting the check. Respondent simultaneously must send copies of the check and transmittal letter to Mr. Steketee and to:

Christine Anderson (LC-8J)
Pesticides and Toxics Compliance Section
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

### Answer and Opportunity to Request a Hearing

If Respondent contests any material fact upon which the Complaint is based or the appropriateness of any penalty amount, or contends that she is entitled to judgment as a matter of law, Respondent may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. To request a

hearing, Respondent must file a written Answer within 30 days of receiving this Complaint and must include in that written Answer a request for a hearing. Any hearing will be conducted according to the Consolidated Rules.

In counting the 30-day time period, the date of receipt is not counted, but Saturdays, Sundays, and federal legal holidays are counted. If the 30-day time period expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal legal holiday, the time period extends to the next business day.

To file an answer, Respondent must file the original written answer and one copy with the Regional Hearing Clerk at the address specified above.

Respondent's written answer must clearly and directly admit, deny, or explain each of the factual allegations in the Complaint; or must state clearly that Respondent has no knowledge of a particular factual allegation. Where Respondent states that she has no knowledge of a particular factual allegation, the allegation is deemed denied. Respondent's failure to admit, deny, or explain any material factual allegation in the Complaint constitutes an admission of the allegation. Respondent's answer must also state:

- a. The circumstances or arguments which Respondent alleges constitute grounds of defense;
- b. The facts that Respondent disputes;
- c. The basis for opposing the proposed penalty; and
- d. Whether Respondent requests a hearing.

If Respondent does not file a written answer within 30 calendar days after receiving this Complaint, the Presiding Officer may issue a default order, after motion, under Section 22.17 of the Consolidated Rules. Default by Respondent constitutes an admission of all factual allegations in the Complaint and a waiver of the right to contest the factual allegations.

Respondent must pay any penalty assessed in a default order without further proceedings 30 days after the order becomes the final order of the Administrator of EPA under Section 22.27(c) of the Consolidated Rules.

### **Settlement Conference**

Whether or not Respondent requests a hearing, Respondent may request an informal settlement conference to discuss the facts of this proceeding and to arrive at a settlement. To request an informal settlement conference, Respondent may contact Ms. Anderson at the address provided above.

Respondent's request for an informal settlement conference does not extend the 30-calendar-day period for filing a written Answer to this Complaint. Respondent may pursue simultaneously the informal settlement conference and the adjudicatory hearing process.

The Complainant encourages all parties facing civil penalties to pursue settlement through an informal conference. The Complainant, however, will not reduce the penalty simply because the parties hold an informal settlement conference.

### **Continuing Obligation to Comply**

Respondent's payment of the civil penalty will not satisfy Respondent's legal obligation to comply with TSCA and any other applicable federal, state, or local law.

### **Consent Agreement and Final Order**

EPA has authority, where appropriate, to modify the amount of the proposed penalty to reflect any settlement reached with Respondent in an informal conference. The terms of the settlement would be embodied in a Consent Agreement and Final Order. A Consent Agreement signed by both parties is binding when the Regional Administrator signs the Final Order and it is

filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

In the Matter Of Dessie L. Brumfield d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Date

Bruce F. Sypniewski

Acting Director

Land and Chemicals Division

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the original and one copy of this Complaint involving Dessie L. Brumfield, d/b/a Brumfield Properties, LLC was filed on July 8, 2010, with the Regional Hearing Clerk (E-19J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, and that a true correct copy was sent by Certified Mail, Receipt No.7009 1680 0000 7670 5646 and 7009 1680 0000 7670 5639 to:

Dessie L Brumfield d/b/a Brumfield Properties 3936 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53206

Dessie L Brumfield d/b/a Brumfield Properties 5327 West Center Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210

with intra-Agency copies to:

Marcy Toney, Regional Judicial Officer, ORC/C-14J John P. Steketee, Counsel for Complainant/C-14J Eric Volck, Cincinnati Finance/MWD

Frederick Brown, PTCS (LC-8J)

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