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Mr. A.J. Shortall Operations Manager Pepsi-Cola of Florence, LLC 2300 David H. McLeod Boulevard Florence, South Carolina 29502

SUBJECT: Pepsi-Cola of Florence, LLC Consent Agreement and Final Order Docket No. EPCRA-04-2008-2023(b)

Dear Mr. Shortall:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) that resolves the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) matter (Docket No. EPCRA-04-2008-2023(b)) involving Pepsi-Cola of Florence, LLC. The CAFO was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 CFR Part 22 and became effective on the date of the filing.

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 Environmental Protection Agency (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 Mr. Jyoti Bhushan at (404) 562-9182.

Sincerely, Well for

Caron B. Falconer Chief, EPCRA Enforcement Section

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC

Respondent.

Docket Number: EPCRA-04-2008-2023(b)

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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. <u>Nature of the Action</u>

1. This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 325 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 11045, and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), codified at 40 CFR Part 22. Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, Region 4, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Respondent is Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC.

2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 CFR § 22.18(b) and desire to resolve this matter and settle the allegations described herein without a formal hearing. Therefore, without the taking of any evidence or testimony, the making of any argument, or the adjudication of any issue in this matter, and in accordance with 40 CFR § § 22.13(b) and 22.18(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

3. The authority to take action under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045, is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under EPCRA to the Regional Administrators by EPA Delegation 22-3-A, dated May 11, 1994. The Regional Administrator, Region 4, has redelegated this authority to the Director, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, by EPA Region 4 Delegation 22-3-A, dated November 8, 1994. Pursuant to that delegation, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division has the authority to commence an enforcement action as the Complainant in this matter.

4. Respondent is Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC, a corporation doing business in the State of South Carolina.

5. Respondent is a "person" as defined in Section 329(7) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(7).

6. Respondent owns and operates a "facility" as that term is defined by Section 329(4) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(4).

7. Respondent's facility is located at 2300 David H. McLeod Boulevard, Florence, South Carolina.

8. Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, and the regulations found at 40 CFR Part 370, provide that the owner or operator of a facility that is required to prepare or have available a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for hazardous chemicals under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) and regulations promulgated under that Act, shall submit to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), and the fire department with jurisdiction over the facility, on or before March 1 annually, a completed emergency and hazardous chemical inventory form (Tier I or Tier II) as described in 40 CFR Part 370, containing the information required by that part for hazardous chemicals present at the facility at any one time in the calendar year in amounts equal to or greater than 10,000 pounds and containing the information required by that part for extremely hazardous substances (EHS) present at the facility at any one time in amounts equal to or greater than the threshold planning quantity (TPQ) or 500 pounds, whichever is less.

9. At some time during the calendar years of 2006, 2005, and 2004, carbon dioxide was present at the facility in an amount equal to or greater than 500 pounds.

10. Carbon dioxide is a "hazardous chemical" as defined by Section 329(5) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11049(5) for which Respondent is required to prepare or have available an MSDS under OSHA at its facility

11. Respondent failed to submit a completed Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Form for carbon dioxide to the SERC, the LEPC, and fire department with jurisdiction over the facility for calendar years 2006, 2005, and 2004, by March 1 of following year.

12. Respondent violated the reporting requirements of Section 312 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11022, at its facility for calendar years 2006, 2005, and 2004, and is therefore subject to the assessment of civil penalties under Section 325 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045.

13. Pursuant to Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), and 40 CFR Part 19, EPA may assess a civil penalty of not more than \$32,500 for each violation of Section 312 that occurred on or after March 15, 2004. Each day a violation of Section 312 continues constitutes a separate violation. Civil penalties under Section 325(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), may be assessed by Administrative Order.

III. Consent Agreement

14. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set out above but neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set out above.

15. Respondent waives any right to contest the allegations and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying the Consent Agreement.

16. Respondent consents to the assessment of and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.

17. Respondent agrees to complete the Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) set forth in this CAFO.

18. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of EPCRA at the facility.

19. Compliance with this CAFO shall resolve the allegations of violations contained herein. This CAFO shall not otherwise affect any liability of Respondent to the United States other than as expressed herein. Neither EPA nor Complainant waives any right to bring an enforcement action against Respondent for a violation of any federal or state statute, regulation or permit; to initiate an action for imminent and substantial endangerment; or to pursue criminal enforcement.

20. Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter by their execution of this CAFO. The parties agree that the settlement of this matter is in the public interest and that this CAFO is consistent with the applicable requirements of EPCRA.

IV. Final Order

21. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$1,798), for the violations alleged in Section II. Payment shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this CAFO.

22. Respondent shall pay the penalty by forwarding a cashiers or certified check, payable to: "Treasurer, United States of America," to the following address:

<u>By Mail:</u>	<u>Overnight:</u>
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	U.S. Bank
Fines and Penalties	Natalie Pearson (314) 418-4087
Cincinnati Finance Center	1005 Convention Plaza
P.O. Box 979077	Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000	St. Louis, Missouri 63101

The check shall reference on its face the name and the Docket Number of the CAFO.

23. 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 CAFO, to the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Jyoti Bhushan U.S. EPA, Region 4 Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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

24. Respondent shall undertake and complete, in accordance with the approved SEP in this matter, the following Emergency Planning and Preparedness project within 60 days of the effective date of this CAFO. Cash donations shall not be used to satisfy the terms and conditions of this CAFO. Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC, shall expend a total of SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS (\$7,182) for the purchase and donation of the following equipment to the Florence County Emergency Management:

1	45WW01	Sperian Warrior 4500 SCBA 60 minute Carbon Cylinder
		Warbling whistle alarm Buddy Breather, Compass Integrated
		Pass, Headset

W197428 Spare cylinder

6	SL122TWHXL000600	Dupont Tychem SL XL
4	SL122TWH2X000600	Dupont Tychem SL XXL

25. Respondent agrees that EPA may inspect the facility at any time in order to confirm that the SEP is being undertaken in conformity with the representations made herein.

26. No later than thirty (30) calendar days after the completion of the project, Respondent shall submit to EPA a SEP Completion Report. The Report shall be sent to the EPCRA Enforcement Section, to the attention of Jyoti Bhushan at the address provided above. The Report shall include the following:

(a) an affidavit from an authorized company official, attesting that the SEP has been completed or explaining in detail any failure to complete it; and

(b) copies of appropriate documentation, including invoices and receipts, showing a total expenditure of SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS (\$7,182), or greater, was spent on the purchase of the equipment described in paragraph 24.

Upon request, Respondent shall send EPA any additional documentation requested by EPA.

27. For Federal Income Tax purposes, Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC, agrees that it will neither capitalize into inventory or basis nor deduct any costs or expenditures incurred in performing the SEP.

28. Respondent certifies that, as of the date this CAFO is signed, it is not required to perform any part of the SEP by any federal, state or local law, regulation, permit or order, or by any agreement or grant. Respondent further certifies that, as of this date, it has not received and is not negotiating to receive, credit for any part of the SEP in any other enforcement action of any kind.

29. Any public statement, oral or written, by Respondent making any reference to the SEP shall include the following language:

"This project was undertaken in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action taken by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for violations of Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 and Section 103 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act."

30. If Respondent fails to timely and fully complete any part of the SEP, including failure to spend the minimum amount of \$7,182 Respondent shall pay to the United States a stipulated penalty of the difference between \$7,182 and the amount spent except as follows:

(a) if the SEP was fully and timely completed, and Respondent expended at least 90 percent of the minimum amount required, Respondent shall not pay a stipulated penalty;

or

(b) if the SEP was not fully and timely completed, but Respondent expended at least 90 percent of the minimum amount required, Respondent shall not pay a stipulated penalty if the Respondent has made a good faith effort to fully and timely complete the SEP.

For purposes of this paragraph, whether Respondent has fully and timely completed the SEP and whether Respondent made a good faith effort to do so shall be in the sole discretion of EPA.

31. If Respondent fails to timely submit a SEP Completion Report as required by this CAFO, Respondent shall pay to the United States a stipulated penalty of \$100 for each calendar day that the report is late.

32. Respondent shall pay any stipulated penalties that accrue under this CAFO within 15 calendar days of the receipt by Respondent of written demand from EPA for such penalties. Such penalties shall be paid in accordance with the procedures set forth above for the payment of the civil penalty.

33. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717, EPA is entitled to assess interest and penalties on debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the cost of processing and handling a delinquent claim. Interest will therefore begin to accrue on the civil penalty from the date of entry of the CAFO if the penalty is not paid by the date required. Interest will be assessed at the rate established by the Secretary of Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §3717. A charge will be assessed to cover the costs of debt collection, including processing and handling costs and attorney fees. In addition, a penalty charge will be assessed on any portion of the debt that remains delinquent more than ninety (90) days after payment is due.

34. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.

35. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.

36. 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 Air, Pesticides & Toxic Management Division 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (404) 562-8451

37. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally bind that party to it.

V. Effective Date

The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date upon which the CAFO is filed 38. with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC

By:	Riphortall	Date: 04-24-08
Name: _	A J. SHORTALL	_(Typed or Printed)
Title:	OPENATIONS MANAGEN	(Typed or Printed)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

embergon Date: 4-10-08 By: Beverly H. Banister

Director Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division Region 4

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED this <u>8</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2008

Regional Judicial Officer

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PEPSI-COLA OF FLORENCE, LLC

DOCKET NUMBER : EPCRA - 04 - 2008 - 2023 (b)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing

Consent Agreement and Final Order in the Matter of Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC

EPCRA-04-2008-2023(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

(Via EPA's internal mail)

Caron B. Falconer (Via U.S. EPA, Region 4 Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Robert Caplan U.S. EPA, Region 4 Office of Environmental Accountability 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

A. J. Shortall Operations Manager Pepsi Cola of Florence, LLC 2300 David McLeod Boulevard Florence, South Carolina 29502 (Via Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested)

<u>5-8-08</u>

Patricia Bullock Ă.

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth St., SW Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-9511

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