

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Ms. Elsie Chambers McFadden Realty Company 1950 St. Stephens Road Mobile, Alabama 36617

SUBJ: Docket No. TSCA-04-2009-2630(b) McFadden Realty Company

Dear Ms. Chambers:

Enclosed is a copy of the ratified Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the above-referenced matter. The original CAFO has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, and served on the parties as directed in Section 22.6 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

As stated in Section V of the CAFO, with respect to payment of the assessed penalty, the first payment of \$64.63 is due within 30 days from the effective date. Please ensure that the face of your cashier's or certified check includes the name of the company, and the docket number of this case.

Penalty payment questions should be directed to Ms. Lori Weidner, either by telephone at (513) 487-2125, or by written correspondence to her attention at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Cincinnati Accounting Operations address identified in the CAFO. Should you have any questions about this matter or your compliance status in the future, please call me at (404) 562-8979, or Mr. Kevin L. Woodruff at (404) 562-8828.

Also enclosed is a copy of the October 2001 *Enforcement Alert* titled "U.S. EPA Notifying Defendants of Securities and Exchange Commission's Environmental Disclosure Requirements." This document puts you on notice of your potential duty to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission any environmental enforcement actions taken by

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EPA. Please note that the contact phone number on page three of the Notice has been changed to (202) 551-3115.

Sincerely, Jeaneanhe M. Gettle

Chief Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch

Enclosures

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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In the Matter of: McFadden Realty Company

Respondent.

GEORGIA

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER

I. Nature of the Action

- This is a civil penalty proceeding pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances
 Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), and pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of
 Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the
 Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits (Consolidated Rules), 40 C.F.R. Part
 Complainant is the Director of the Air, Pesticides, and Toxics Management Division,
 United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 (EPA). Respondent is
 McFadden Realty Company.
- 2. Complainant and Respondent have conferred for the purpose of settlement pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18, 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 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) will simultaneously commence and conclude this matter.

II. Preliminary Statements

- 3. The Administrator of EPA promulgated regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F under the authority of Section 1018 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d (Title X). It is a prohibited act under Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. 2689, for any person to fail or refuse to comply with a provision of Title X or with any rule or order issued under Title X.
- For purposes of enforcing Title X under TSCA, the penalty for each violation applicable under Section 16 of that Act, 15 U.S.C. 2615, shall not be more than \$10,000, pursuant to Title X, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5) Title X. For each violation occurring after January 31, 1997, a penalty of up to \$11,000 may be assessed pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 19.
- 5. The authority to take action under Section 16(a) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a), is vested in the Administrator of EPA. The Administrator of EPA has delegated this authority under TSCA to EPA Region 4 by EPA Delegation 12-2-A, dated May 11, 1994.
- Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.5(c)(4) the following individual represents EPA in this matter and is authorized to receive service for EPA in this proceeding:

Kevin L. Woodruff Lead and Children's Health Management Section U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960 (404) 562-8828.

III. Specific Allegations

 Respondent is a Lessor, as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103, of residential housing located at 1304 Persimmon Street, Mobile, Alabama. This residential housing is "target housing," as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.

- 8. Based on information obtained by EPA on or about August 6, 2007, relating to Respondent's contracts to lease its target housing described above, EPA alleges that Respondent violated Section 409 of TSCA and 40 C.F.R. § 745.107(a)(1), which requires a Lessor to provide to Lessee an EPA-approved lead hazard information/pamphlet.
- 9. Respondent failed to provide an EPA-approved lead hazard information/pamphlet for at least one lease.

IV. Consent Agreement

- 10. For the purposes of this CAFO, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth above and neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set forth above.
- Respondent waives its right to a hearing on the allegations contained herein and its right to appeal the proposed final order accompanying the consent agreement.
- 12. Respondent consents to the assessment of the penalty proposed by EPA and agrees to pay the civil penalty as set forth in this CAFO.
- 13. Respondent certifies that as of the date of its execution of this CAFO, it is in compliance with all relevant requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F.
- 14. This CAFO constitutes a settlement by EPA of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to Section 16(a) of TSCA, for the specific violations alleged herein. Except as specifically provided in this CAFO, EPA reserves all other civil and criminal enforcement authorities, including the authority to address imminent hazards. Compliance with this CAFO shall not be a defense to any other actions subsequently commenced pursuant to Federal laws and regulations administered by EPA, and it is Respondent's responsibility to comply with said laws and regulations.

15. 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 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F.

V. Final Order

16. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), plus interest, which is to be paid over a two-year period in eight (8) quarterly payments of SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS and SIXTY-THREE CENTS (\$64.63), totaling FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS and FOUR CENTS (\$517.04). These quarterly payments shall begin within thirty (30) calendar days of the effective date of this CAFO, and subsequent payments in three month intervals over a period of two years. Respondent shall make payments according to the following schedule:

Payment Due Date	Payment Due		
Within 30 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 120 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 210 days of fining CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 300 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 390 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 480 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 570 days of fining CAFO	\$64.63		
Within 660 days of filing CAFO	\$64.63		

17. Respondent shall remit the civil penalty by either a cashier's or certified check made payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," and shall send the check to the following address by U.S. Postal Service:

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

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

18. At the time of payment, Respondent shall send a separate copy of the check or wire

transfer and a written statement that the payment has been made in accordance with this

CAFO, to each of the following persons at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

Kevin L. Woodruff Lead and Children's Health Management Section U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960;

and,

Saundi Wilson Office of Environmental Accountability U.S. EPA - Region 4 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

- 19. For the purposes of state and federal income taxation, Respondent shall not be entitled, and agrees not to attempt, to claim a deduction for any civil penalty payment made pursuant to this CAFO. Any attempt by Respondent to deduct any such payments shall constitute a violation of this CAFO.
- 20. 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

- 21. Complainant and Respondent shall bear their own costs and attorney fees in this matter.
- 22. This CAFO shall be binding upon the Respondent, its successors and assigns.
- 23. The undersigned representative of the party to this CAFO certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the party represented to enter into this CAFO and legally binds that party to this CAFO.

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VI. Effective Date

24. The effective date of this CAFO shall be the date on which the CAFO is filed with the

Regional Hearing Clerk.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the date set out below, I filed the original and one copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order and served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order, in the Matter of: McFadden Realty Company, Docket Number: TSCA-04-2009-2630(b), to the addressees listed below.

(via EPA's internal mail)

Kevin Woodruff Lead and Children's Health Management Section U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W.

Atlanta, GA 30303

Robert Caplan Office of Environmental Accountability U.S. EPA, Region 4 61 Forsyth St., SW

(via EPA's internal mail)

Atlanta, GA 30303

(via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested)

Ms. Elsie Chambers McFadden Realty Company 1950 St. Stephens Road Mobile, AL 36617

Date: (0 - 5 - 0)

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

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