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5	BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY		
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8	In the Matter of: DOCKET NO. CWA-10-2006-0081		
9	) CONSENT AGREEMENT AND		
10	LANDSING DEVELOPMENT ) FINAL ORDER )		
11	Respondent.		
12	I. STATUTORY AUTHORITY		
13	1.1. This Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO") is issued under the authority		
14	vested in the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") by		
15	Section 309(g)(2)(B) of the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(B).		
16	1.2. The Administrator has delegated the authority to enter into the Final Order		
17	contained in Part IV of this CAFO to the Regional Administrator of EPA Region 10.		
18	1.3. Pursuant to Section 309(g)(1) and (g)(2)(B) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(1)		
19	and (g)(2)(B), and in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the		
20	Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties," 40 C.F.R. Part 22, EPA hereby issues, and		
21	I and sing Development Group, LLC ("Respondent") hereby agrees to issuance of, the Final		
22	Order contained in Part IV of this CAFO.		
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## II. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

- 2.1. On April 5, 2005, EPA commenced this proceeding against Respondent pursuant to Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), by filing an administrative complaint ("Complaint").
- 2.2. The Complaint alleged that Respondent's violations of the CWA had subjected Respondent to penalties and proposed that Respondent be assessed an administrative civil penalty.
- 2.3. The complete and jurisdictional basis for proposing the assessment of a civil penalty is set forth in the Complaint and is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2.4. In accordance with Section 309(g)(1) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(1), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.38(b), the State of Idaho has been given an opportunity to consult with EPA regarding the assessment of an administrative civil penalty against Respondent.
- 2.5. In accordance with Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(A), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.45, EPA has issued a public notice to inform the public of its intent to assess administrative penalties against Respondent and to invite public comment. EPA has received no public comments on this proceeding.

## III. CONSENT AGREEMENT

The parties to this action hereby stipulate as follows:

- 3.1. Respondent enters this Consent Agreement to compromise and settle the disputed claims alleged in the Complaint without further proceedings in this matter.
  - 3.2. Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the Complaint.
- 3.3. Respondent neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained in the Complaint.

- 3.4. Respondent expressly waives the right to contest the allegations contained in the Complaint and to appeal the Final Order contained herein.
- 3.5. Pursuant to Section 309(g), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), EPA has determined and Respondent agrees that an appropriate penalty to settle this action is in the amount of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00). This penalty amount has been agreed upon in consideration of the statutory penalty factors identified in Section 309(g)(3) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(3).
- 3.6. Respondent consents to the issuance of the Final Order recited herein and to payment of the civil penalty cited in the foregoing paragraph within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Final Order.
- 3.7. Payments under this CAFO shall be made by cashier's check or certified check, payable to the order of "Treasurer, United States of America" and shall be delivered to the following address:

Mellon Bank EPA Region 10 P.O. Box 36903M Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251

Respondent shall note on the check the title and docket number of this case.

3.8. Respondent shall serve photocopies of the check described above on the Regional Hearing Clerk and EPA at the following addresses:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Mail Stop ORC-158 Seattle, Washington 98101

Office of Compliance and Enforcement Attn: Robert Grandinetti U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Mail Stop OCE-133 Seattle, Washington 98101

- 3.9. If Respondent fails to pay the penalty assessed by this CAFO in full by the due date set forth in Paragraph 3.6, above, the entire unpaid balance of the penalty and accrued interest shall become immediately due and owing. If such a failure to pay occurs, Respondent may be subject to a civil action to collect the assessed penalty under the CWA, together with interest, fees, costs, and additional penalties described below. In any collection action, the validity, amount, and appropriateness of the penalty shall not be subject to review.
- 3.10. If Respondent fails to pay any portion of the penalty assessed by this CAFO in full by the due date set forth in Paragraph 3.6, above, Respondent shall be responsible for payment of the amounts described below:
  - 3.10.1. <u>Interest</u>. Pursuant to CWA Section 309(g)(9), 33 U.S.C. 1319(g)(9), any unpaid portion of the assessed penalty shall bear interest at a rate established by the Secretary of Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717(a)(1) from the effective date of the Final Order set forth in Part IV, below, provided, however, that no interest shall be payable on any portion of the assessed penalty that is paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Final Order.
  - 3.10.2. Attorneys Fees, Collection Costs, Nonpayment Penalty. Pursuant to CWA Section 309(g)(9), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(9), if Respondent fails to pay on a timely basis the amount of the penalty set forth in Paragraph 3.5, above, Respondent shall pay (in addition to any assessed penalty and interest) attorneys fees and costs for collection proceedings and a quarterly nonpayment penalty for each quarter during which such

failure to pay persists. Such nonpayment penalty shall be in an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the aggregate amount of Respondent's penalties and nonpayment penalties which are unpaid as of the beginning of such quarter.

- 3.11. The penalty described in Paragraph 3.5, above, including any additional costs incurred under Paragraph 3.10, above, represents an administrative civil penalty assessed by EPA and shall not be deductible for purposes of federal taxes.
- 3.12. The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this CAFO and to bind Respondent to this document.
- 3.13. Except as described in Subparagraph 3.10.2, above, each party shall bear its own costs in bringing or defending this action.
- 3.14. The provisions of this CAFO shall bind Respondent and its officers, directors, agents, servants, employees, successors, and assigns.
- 3.15. The above provisions are STIPULATED AND AGREED upon by Respondent and EPA.

DATED:

LANDSING DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC:

4/14/06

BRUCE HESSING For Respondent

1	DATED:	U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY:
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## IV. FINAL ORDER

- 4.1. The terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement are hereby ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. Respondent is hereby ordered to comply with the foregoing terms of the settlement.
- 4.2. This CAFO shall constitute a settlement by EPA of all claims for civil penalties pursuant to the CWA for the particular violations alleged in the Complaint. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(a), nothing in this CAFO shall affect the right of EPA or the United States to pursue appropriate injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violations of law. This CAFO does not waive, extinguish, or otherwise affect Respondent's obligations to comply with all applicable provisions of the CWA, the CWA regulations, and/or any permits issued thereunder.
  - 4.3. This Final Order shall become effective upon filing.

SO ORDERED this 19th day of April , 2006.

L. MICHAEL BOGERT

Regional Admistrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER** in **In the Matter of: Landsing Development Group, LLC, DOCKET NO.: CWA-10-2005-0081** was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on April 19, 2006.

On April 19, 2006 the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to:

Courtney J. Hamamoto, Esquire US Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Sixth Avenue, ORC-158 Seattle, WA 98101

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt on April 19, 2006, to:

Bruce Hessing Landsing Development Group, LLC 4315 S. Choctaw Way Boise, ID 83709

Judge Carl C. Charneski
U.S. EPA
Office of Administrative Law Judges
Mail Code 1900L
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

DATED this 19th day of April 2006.

Carol Kennedy

Regional Hearing Clerk

EPA Region 10