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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Mr. Charles Dickerson
Plant Superintendent
N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and
Fire Protection District
Monsanto Water Treatment Plant
2457 Monsanto Road
Guntersville, Alabama 35976

SUBJECT: Monsanto Water Treatment Plant, Guntersville, Alabama

Expedited Settlement Agreement Docket No. CAA-04-2008-8011(b)

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) that resolves the Clean Air Act (CAA) matter (Docket No. CAA-04-2008-8011(b)) involving N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and Fire Protection District. The ESA was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, as required by 40 C.F.R. Part 22 and became effective on today's date.

As required by the ESA, within fifteen days of receipt of this letter, a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of \$540, made out to the "Treasurer, United States of America," should be submitted to one of the following addresses:

For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS) U.S. Bank
1005 Convention Plaza
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, MO 63101
Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

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The Docket No. should be included on the check. Also, a separate copy of the check and a written statement that payment has been made in accordance with this ESA should be sent to the following individuals:

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

Victor L. Weeks U. S. EPA Region 4 EPCRA Enforcement Section 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

If you have any questions, please call Victor Weeks at (404) 562-9189.

Sincerely,

Caron B. Falconer

Chief, EPCRA Enforcement Section

Enclosures

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO: CAA-04-2008-8011(b)

This ESA is issued to:

N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and
Fire Protection District
Monsanto Water Treatment Plant
2457 Monsanto Road
Guntersville, Alabama 35976

for violating 40 CFR § 68.50, 40 CFR § 68.58, and Section 112(r)(7) of the Clean Air Act.

This Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) is being entered into by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4, the Director of the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division (Complainant), and by the N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and Fire Protection District (Respondent), pursuant to Section 113(a)(3) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3) and (d), and pursuant to 40 CFR § 22.13(b).

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

Based on a compliance monitoring inspection conducted at the Respondent's Monsanto Water Treatment Plant located at 2457 Monsanto Road, Guntersville, Alabama, on February 15, 2007, EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the Act's Chemical Accident Prevention Program when Respondent did not provide evidence that it had:

Updated the hazard review for the covered process at least once every five years as required by 40 CFR § 68.50(d); and

Conducted compliance audits, at least every three years, to verify that its prevention program procedures and practices are adequate and are being followed as required by 40 CFR § 68.58(a).

SETTLEMENT

In consideration of Respondent's size, its full compliance history, its good faith effort to comply, and other factors as justice may require, and upon consideration of the entire record the parties enter into the ESA in order to settle the violations cited above, for the total penalty amount of **\$540**.



This settlement is subject to the following terms and conditions: the Respondent by signing below admits the jurisdictional allegations contained herein, neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations contained herein, and consents to the assessment of the penalty as stated above; Respondent waives its rights to a hearing afforded by Section 113(d)(2)(A) of the Act, 42 U.S.C § 7413(d)(2)(A), and to contest the allegations contained in this ESA; and each party to this action shall bear its own costs and fees, if any.

Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false submission to the United States Government, that the Respondent has corrected the alleged violations listed in this ESA. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of \$540. Please note that payment should not be made until after Respondent receives a copy of the fully executed ESA. Within fifteen (15) days after receiving a copy of the fully executed ESA, the Respondent shall send a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of \$540, in payment of the full penalty amount to one of the following addresses:

For payment sent via U.S. Postal Service U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent via overnight mail service (FedEx, UPS) U.S. Bank 1005 Convention Plaza Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

Contact: Natalie Pearson @ 314-418-4087

The Respondent's name and the Docket Number of this ESA <u>must be included on the check</u>. The Docket Number is located at the top left corner of the first page of this ESA.

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 ESA to:

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

Victor L. Weeks U. S. EPA Region 4 EPCRA Enforcement Section 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Upon Respondent's payment of the penalty, EPA will take no further civil action against Respondent for the alleged violations of the Act referenced in this ESA. EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the Act or any other statute.

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 61 Forsyth St., S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (404) 562-8451

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below.

This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

FOR RESPONDENT:

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Name (print): Charles Dickerson

Title (print): Plant Superintende ut N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and Fire Protection District

FOR COMPLAINANT:

Beverly H. Banister

Director

Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division

Region 4

I hereby ratify the ESA and incorporate it herein by reference. It is so ORDERED.

<u>Susan B. Schub</u>

Date: 4/29/08

Regional Judicial Officer

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Date: 4/1/88

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement, in the matter of N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and Fire Protection District, CAA-04-2008-8011(b), on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Caron B. Falconer
U. S. EPA - Region 4
Air, Pesticides and Toxics
Management Division
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

Elizabeth O'Sullivan
U. S. EPA - Region 4
Office of Environmental Accountability
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

(Via EPA's internal mail)

Mr. Charles Dickerson
Plant Superintendent
N.E. Alabama Water, Sewer and
Fire Protection District
Monsanto Water Treatment Plant
2457 Monsanto Road
Guntersville, Alabama 35976

(Via Certified Mail -Return Receipt Requested)

Date: 4-29-08

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk Unites States Environmental Protection Agency Region 4 Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303

404-562-9511

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1. Debt Trucking Officer	2. Originating Office (EAD)
Environmental Enforcement Section	3. Designated Program Office
Department of Justice RM 1647 P.O. Box 7611, Benjamin Franklin Statis	loa
Washington, D.C. 20044	•
B. ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS: Copies of this	is form with an attached copy of the front page of the Administrative Order should be to:
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