# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

### EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

**DOCKET NO: CAA-04-2023-0201(b)** 

This ESA is issued to: Monogram Assembled Foods, LLC

1655 Old Columbia Road Dickson, Tennessee 37055

for violating 40 C.F.R. § 68.65(d)(2), 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, Region 4, Director of the Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division (Complainant), and by Monogram Assembled Foods, LLC (Respondent), pursuant to Section 113(d) of the Clean Air Act (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(d), and pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2).

#### **ALLEGED VIOLATIONS**

Based on a compliance monitoring inspection conducted at the Respondent's facility located at 1655 Old Columbia Road, Dickson, Tennessee, on July 28, 2022, the EPA alleges that the Respondent violated the Act's Section 112(r)(7), Chemical Accident Prevention Provisions, 42 U.S.C. § 7412(r)(7), when at the time of inspection, Respondent did not provide evidence that:

It documented that equipment complies with recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices as required by 40 C.F.R. § 68.65(d)(2), because there were four pressure relief valves (Valves # OP-1-5, OP-2-5, C-1-9, and C-1-10) that were required to be replaced in April 2021, according to facility records, but were still in service. Section 13.1.1 of American National Standards Institute/International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration (ANSI/IIAR) 6 (2019) states, "All pressure relief valves (PRVs) that relieve to atmosphere shall be recertified or replaced on the 5-year time-based frequency." Section 13.1.1.1 of ANSI/IIAR 6 (2019) states, "The service life of the PRV shall not exceed 5 years of service after it is installed on the system."

#### **SETTLEMENT**

In consideration of Respondent's size, its full compliance history, its good faith efforts 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 violation cited above, for the total penalty amount of \$1,500.

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 appeal this ESA and Final Order or otherwise 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 violation listed in this ESA.

Within **fifteen (15) days** of receiving a copy of the fully executed ESA, Respondent shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500. Respondent's payment shall be made by sending a cashier's check or certified check (payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America") in the amount of \$1,500 in payment of the full penalty amount to one of the following addresses or via wire transfer:

## For payment sent via electronic transfer

For payment by wire transfer, in lieu of a cashier's check or certified check, if desired, should be directed to the <u>Federal</u> Reserve Bank of New York using the following information:

ABA: 021030004 Account: 68010727

SWIFT address: FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street

New York, New York 10045

Beneficiary: "U.S. Environmental Protection Agency";

The wire transfer instructions shall reference the Respondent's name and Docket Number of this ESA.

For payment sent via Standard Delivery U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Finance Center Box 979077 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000; or

For payment sent for Signed Receipt Confirmation (FedEx, DHL, UPS, USPS Certified, Registered, etc.)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Cincinnati Finance Center Box 979077
1005 Convention Plaza
SL-MO-C2-GL
St. Louis, MO 63101
Delivery Location Phone Number: 314-425-1819

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:

R4 Regional Hearing Clerk@epa.gov and noles.jordan@epa.gov.

The penalty specified in this ESA shall represent civil penalties assessed by the EPA and shall not be deductible for purposes of State or Federal taxes.

Respondent's full compliance with this ESA shall only resolve Respondent's liability for Federal civil penalties for the violation alleged in this ESA. The EPA does not waive any other enforcement action for any other violations of the Act or any other statute.

This ESA is binding on the parties signing below. This ESA is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.5, the individuals named in the certificate of service are authorized to receive service related to this proceeding and the parties agree to receive service by electronic means.

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FOR RESPONDENT:		
Name (print): Willie	Gordon	Date: <u> </u>
Title (print): <u>Р/д к 4</u> Monogram Assembled Food	Manage/ ls, LLC	_
FOR COMPLAINANT:	Signing for	
Carol L. Kemker		

FINAL ORDER

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

Tanya Floyd
Regional Judicial Officer

Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

Director

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and Final Order in the Matter of Monogram Assembled Foods, LLC Docket No. CAA-04-2023-0201(b), were filed and copies of the same were emailed to the parties as indicated below.

# Via email to all parties at the following email addresses:

**To Respondent:** Evan Ingersoll, EHS Manager

Monogram Assembled Foods, LLC Email: eingersoll@monogramfoods.com

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