UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN THE MATTER OF)
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MERCURY VAPOR PROCESSING) DOCKET NO. RCRA-05-2010-0015
TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a/k/a RIVER)
SHANNON RECYCLING,)
)
)
RESPONDENT)

ORDER SCHEDULING HEARING

ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR AMENDMENT OF ANSWER

This proceeding arises under the authority of Section 3008(a) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, commonly referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (collectively referred to as "RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a). The parties are reminded that this proceeding is governed by the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Rules of Practice"), 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.1-32.

Pursuant to the Prehearing Order issued by the undersigned on June 15, 2010, the parties have filed their initial prehearing exchanges and Complainant has filed a rebuttal to Respondent's prehearing exchange. Section 22.19(f) of the Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. § 22.19(f), requires parties to promptly supplement their initial prehearing exchanges when they learn that the information therein is incomplete, inaccurate, or outdated, and the additional information has not otherwise been disclosed to the opposing party. The parties retain the right to make a motion to supplement their prehearing exchanges no later than fifteen (15) days before the hearing date. Sections 22.19(a) and 22.22(a) of the Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.19(a) and 22.22(a), provide that documents or exhibits that have not been

exchanged and witnesses whose names or testimony summaries have not been exchanged at least 15 days before the hearing date shall not be admitted into evidence or allowed to testify unless good cause is shown for failing to exchange the required information. The parties are advised that the undersigned will not entertain last minute attempts to supplement their prehearing exchanges absent extraordinary circumstances.

The parties are also advised that every motion filed in this proceeding must be served in sufficient time to permit the filing of a response by the non-moving party and to permit the issuance of an order on the motion before the deadlines set by this Order or any subsequent order. Section 22.16(b) of the Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. § 22.16(b), requires a party's response to a motion to be filed within 15 days of service of the motion, and Section 22.7(c), 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(c), provides for an additional five days to be added to that 15-day period when the motion is served by mail.

United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") policy, found in the Rules of Practice at Section 22.18(b), 40 C.F.R. § 22.18(b), encourages settlement of a proceeding without the necessity of a formal hearing. However, the pursuit of settlement negotiations or an averment that a settlement in principle has been reached will not constitute good cause for failure to comply with the requirements or schedule set forth in this Order.

As the parties have not reached a settlement in this matter, they shall strictly comply with the requirements of this Order and prepare for a hearing. In connection therewith, on or before February 4, 2011, the parties shall file a joint set of stipulated facts, exhibits, and testimony. See Section 22.19(b)(2) of the Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. § 22.19(b)(2). The time allotted for the hearing is limited. Therefore, the parties must make a good faith effort to stipulate, as much as possible, to matters which cannot reasonably be contested so that the hearing can be concise and focused solely on those matters which can only be resolved after a hearing.

The Hearing in this matter will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2011, in Chicago, Illinois, continuing if necessary through March 2, 2011. The Regional Hearing Clerk will make appropriate arrangements for a courtroom and retain a stenographic reporter. The parties will be notified of the exact location and of other procedures pertinent to the hearing when those arrangements are complete. Individuals requiring special accommodation at this hearing, including wheelchair access,

should contact the Regional Hearing Clerk at least five business days prior to the hearing so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

IF ANY PARTY DOES NOT INTEND TO ATTEND THE HEARING OR HAS GOOD CAUSE FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND THE HEARING AS SCHEDULED, IT SHALL NOTIFY THE UNDERSIGNED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT.

Additionally, Respondent's unopposed Motion for Amendment of Answer filed October 29, 2010 is **Granted**.

Barbara A. Gunning

Administrative Law Judge

Dated: November 19, 2010

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of Mercury Vapor Processing Technologies, Inc., a/k/a River Shannon Recycling, Respondent.

Docket No. RCRA-05-2010-0015

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Order Scheduling Hearing; Order Granting Respondent's Motion for Amendment of Answer, dated November 19, 2010, was sent on this 19th day of November 2010, in the following manner to the addressees listed below.

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