

BEFORE THE  
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

OHIO E.P.A.  
JUN 22 2010

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In the Matter of:

PCS Nitrogen Ohio, L.P.  
1900 Fort Amanda Road  
P.O. Box 1901  
Lima, Ohio 45802

Director's Final  
Findings and Orders

Respondent

PREAMBLE

It is agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

I. JURISDICTION

These Director's Final Findings and Orders (Orders) are issued to PCS Nitrogen Ohio, L.P. (Respondent) pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) §§ 3734.13 and 3745.01.

II. PARTIES BOUND

These Orders shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent and successors in interest liable under Ohio law. No change in ownership of Respondent or of the Facility shall in any way alter Respondent's obligations under these Orders.

III. DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise stated, all terms used in these Orders shall have the same meaning as defined in ORC Chapter 3734. and the rules promulgated there under.

IV. FINDINGS

The Director of Ohio EPA has determined the following findings:

1. Respondent is a "person" as defined in ORC § 3734.01(G) and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-50-10(A) certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the official documents as filed in the records of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

By: Eric Lassiter Date: 6-22-10

2. Respondent owns and operates a nitrogen chemical and fertilizer products manufacturing facility located at 1900 Fort Amanda Road, Lima, Allen County, Ohio (Facility).
3. At the Facility, Respondent generates "hazardous waste" as that term is defined by ORC § 3734.01(J) and OAC rules 3745-50-10(A) and 3745-51-03.
4. Respondent typically generates hazardous waste in amounts classifying it as a conditionally exempt small quantity generator. Respondent generates, or has generated, hazardous waste spent aerosol cans (D001), parts washer solvent (D001), sand blast material (D008), dessicant (D018), and high temperature shift catalyst (D007). Respondent also generates universal waste lamps and used oil.
5. Respondent notified Ohio EPA of its hazardous waste activities and was issued generator identification number OHD987054061.
6. On August 29, 2008, Ohio EPA initiated an investigation based on analytical results received from the Allen County Combined Health District for waste generated at Respondent's Facility.
7. On September 18, 2008, Ohio EPA conducted an investigation and compliance evaluation inspection at the Facility. As a result of this inspection, Ohio EPA determined that Respondent had violated certain provisions of ORC Chapter 3734. and the rules promulgated thereunder.
8. By electronic mail on September 19, September 29 and October 1, 2008, Respondent submitted documentation in response to Ohio EPA's September 18, 2008 inspection.
9. By letter dated October 31, 2008, Ohio EPA notified Respondent of the violations discovered during the September 18, 2008 inspection.
10. By letters dated November 24, 2008 and January 28 and March 17, 2009, Respondent submitted additional documentation to address the violations discovered during the September 18, 2008 inspection.
11. By letters dated January 12 and April 17, 2009, Ohio EPA notified Respondent that Respondent had submitted adequate documentation to abate the violations discovered during the September 18, 2008 inspection.

12. Based on all the information submitted by Respondent, the Director has determined that no additional action is required of Respondent regarding the violations referenced in Finding No. 7. of these Orders.

#### **V. ORDERS**

Respondent shall achieve compliance with Chapter 3734. of the ORC and the regulations promulgated there under according to the following compliance schedule:

1. Respondent shall pay to Ohio EPA the amount of \$9,000.00 in settlement of Ohio EPA's claims for civil penalties, which may be assessed pursuant to ORC Chapter 3734., in accordance with the following provisions:
  - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall pay Ohio EPA the amount of \$7,200.00 in settlement of Ohio EPA's claims for civil penalties, which may be assessed pursuant to ORC Chapter 3734. and which will be deposited into the hazardous waste cleanup fund established pursuant to ORC § 3734.28. Payment shall be made by an official check made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio" for \$7,200.00. The official check shall be submitted to Ohio EPA, Office of Fiscal Administration, Department L-2711, Columbus, Ohio 43260-2711, together with a letter identifying Respondent. A copy of this check shall be submitted in accordance with Section X. of these Orders.
  - b. In lieu of paying the remaining \$1,800.00 of civil penalty to Ohio EPA, Respondent shall fund a supplemental environmental project (SEP) by making a contribution in the amount of \$1,800.00 to the Ohio EPA Clean Diesel School Bus Program (Fund 5CD). Respondent shall make the payment within 30 days after the effective date of these Orders by tendering an official check made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio" for \$1,800.00. The official check shall be submitted to Brenda Case, or her successor, Ohio EPA, Office of Fiscal Administration, Department L-2711, Columbus, Ohio 43260-2711, together with a letter identifying Respondent. A copy of this check shall be submitted in accordance with Section X. of these Orders, and an additional copy of this check shall be sent to James A. Orlemann, Assistant Chief, SIP Development and Enforcement, or his successor, Ohio EPA, Division of Air Pollution Control, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049.

- c. Should Respondent fail to fund the SEP within the required time frame established in Order No. 1.b., Respondent shall pay to Ohio EPA, within 7 days after failing to comply with Order No. 1.b., the amount of \$1,800.00 in accordance with the procedures in Order No. 1.a.

#### **VI. TERMINATION**

Respondent's obligations under these Orders shall terminate upon Ohio EPA's receipt of the official checks required by Section V. of these Orders.

#### **VII. OTHER CLAIMS**

Nothing in these Orders shall constitute or be construed as a release from any claim, cause of action or demand in law or equity against any person, firm, partnership or corporation, not a party to these Orders, for any liability arising from, or related to, the operation of Respondent's Facility.

#### **VIII. OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS**

All actions required to be taken pursuant to these Orders shall be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations. These Orders do not waive or compromise the applicability and enforcement of any other statutes or regulations applicable to Respondent.

#### **IX. MODIFICATIONS**

These Orders may be modified by agreement of the parties hereto. Modifications shall be in writing and shall be effective on the date entered in the journal of the Director of Ohio EPA.

#### **X. NOTICE**

All documents required to be submitted by Respondent pursuant to these Orders shall be addressed to:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Northwest District Office  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management  
347 N. Dunbridge Road  
Bowling Green, Ohio 43402  
Attn: DHWM Manager

and Ohio EPA Central Office at the following address:

For mailings, use the post office box number:

Chris Korleski, Director  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Lazarus Government Center  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management  
P.O. Box 1049  
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049  
Attn: Manager, Compliance Assurance Section

For deliveries to the building:

Chris Korleski, Director  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Lazarus Government Center  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management  
50 West Town Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
Attn: Manager, Compliance Assurance Section

or to such persons and addresses as may hereafter be otherwise specified in writing by Ohio EPA.

#### **XI. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

Ohio EPA and Respondent each reserve all rights, privileges and causes of action, except as specifically waived in Section XII. of these Orders.

#### **XII. WAIVER**

In order to resolve disputed claims, without admission of fact, violation or liability, and in lieu of further enforcement action by Ohio EPA for only the violations specifically cited in these Orders, Respondent consents to the issuance of these Orders and agrees to comply with these Orders. Compliance with these Orders shall be a full accord and satisfaction for Respondent's liability for the violations specifically cited herein.

Respondent hereby waives the right to appeal the issuance, terms and conditions, and service of these Orders, and Respondent hereby waives any and all rights Respondent may have to seek administrative or judicial review of these Orders either in law or equity.

Notwithstanding the preceding, Ohio EPA and Respondent agree that if these Orders are appealed by any other party to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission, or any court, Respondent retains the right to intervene and participate in such appeal. In such an event, Respondent shall continue to comply with these Orders notwithstanding such appeal and intervention unless these Orders are stayed, vacated or modified.

### **XIII. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of these Orders is the date these Orders are entered into the Ohio EPA Director's journal.

### **XIV. SIGNATORY AUTHORITY**

Each undersigned representative of a party to these Orders certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into these Orders and to legally bind such party to these Orders.

**IT IS SO ORDERED AND AGREED:**

**Ohio Environmental Protection Agency**



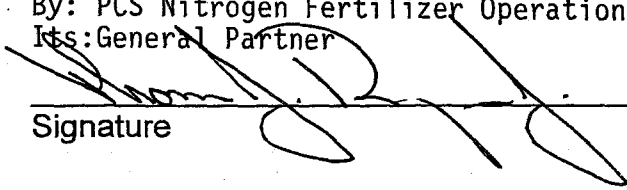
Chris Korleski  
Director

JUN 22 2010

Date

**IT IS SO AGREED:**

**PCS Nitrogen Ohio, L.P.**  
By: PCS Nitrogen Fertilizer Operations, Inc.  
Its: General Partner

  
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Signature

June 7, 2010

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Date

Thomas J. Regan, Jr.  
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Printed or Typed Name

President

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Title