

Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, and should refer to: In the Matter of: Portland Cement-Horman-Redwood Settlement Agreements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matthew Cohn, (8ENF-L), Senior Enforcement Attorney, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, (303) 312-6853.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the proposed Settlement Agreements may be obtained in person or by mail from Sharon Abendschan, Enforcement Specialist (ENF-T), Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, (303) 312-6957.

Dated: December 18, 1997.

Carol Rushin,

Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed Administrative Settlement Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; in Re: Gaynor Stafford Industries Superfund Site; Stafford, CT

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed prospective purchaser agreement and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to enter into a prospective purchaser agreement to address claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* Notice is being published to inform the public of the proposed settlement and of the opportunity to comment. The settlement is intended to resolve the liability under CERCLA of C & C Industrial, L.L.C., for injunctive relief and for costs incurred or to be incurred by EPA in conducting response actions at the Gaynor Stafford Industries Superfund Site in Stafford, Connecticut.

DATES: Comments must be provided on or before February 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,

Region I, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode RAA, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, and should refer to: In re: C & C Industrial, L.L.C., U.S. EPA Docket No. CERCLA-I-97-1096.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Audrey Zucker, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, J.F.K. Federal Building, Mailcode SES, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, (617) 565-3444.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given of a proposed prospective purchaser agreement concerning the Gaynor Stafford Industries Superfund Site in Stafford, Connecticut. The settlement was approved by EPA Region I on November 15, 1997, and by the U.S. Department of Justice on December 8, 1997, subject to review by the public pursuant to this Notice. C & C Industrial, L.L.C. has executed a signature page committing it to participate in the settlement. Under the proposed settlement, the Settling Respondent is required to pay \$30,000 to the Hazardous Substances Superfund and to provide access to the property. In exchange, the Settling Respondent is granted a covenant not to sue under CERCLA and protection from contribution actions or claims under CERCLA with respect to the existing contamination at the site. EPA believes the settlement is fair and in the public interest.

EPA will receive written comments relating to this settlement for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice.

A copy of the proposed administrative settlement may be obtained in person or by mail from Audrey Zucker, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode SES, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, (617) 565-3444.

The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection with the Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode RAA, Boston, Massachusetts 02203 (U.S. EPA Docket No. CERCLA-I-97-1096).

Dated: December 12, 1997.

John P. DeVillars,

Regional Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5946-1]

Proposed Administrative Order on Consent; Reclaim Barrel Site, Salt Lake County, UT

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

ACTION: Proposed Section 122(g)(4) De Minimis Settlements.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of Section 122(g)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given of a proposed *de minimis* settlement agreement under Section 122(g)(4), 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4), concerning the Reclaim Barrel Site in Salt Lake County, Utah (the "Site"). The proposed Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) requires the settling party, Western Dairymen Cooperative, Incorporated to pay a total of \$1,104 to resolve its liability for response costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") in connection with the remediation of the Reclaim Barrel Site.

DATES: Comments must be submitted to EPA on or before February 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Matthew Cohn, (8ENF-L), Senior Enforcement Attorney, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, and should refer to: In the Matter of: Reclaim Barrel Site Administrative Settlement Agreement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matthew Cohn, (8ENF-L), Senior Enforcement Attorney, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, (303) 312-6853.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of Section 122(g)(4), 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4), Administrative Order on Consent *De Minimis* Settlement: In accordance with Section 122(g)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4), notice is hereby given that the terms of an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for a *de minimis* settlement has been agreed to by the settling party, Western Dairymen Cooperative, Incorporated.

By the terms of the proposed AOC, Western Dairymen Cooperative, Incorporated will pay \$1,104 to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund. In exchange for payment, as provided for by CERCLA, the settling party will

receive a covenant not to sue for liability under sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607(a), and contribution protection under Section 122(g) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g).

The amount that will be paid is directly related to the amount of hazardous substances that Western Dairymen Cooperative, Incorporated contributed to the Site, including a premium payment related to future response costs.

U.S. EPA will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed administrative *de minimis* settlement agreement.

A copy of the proposed AOC may be obtained in person or by mail from Sharon Abendschan, Enforcement Specialist (ENF-T), Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, (303) 312-6957.

Dated: December 18, 1997.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Revised Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permits for the Eastern Portion of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) of the Gulf of Mexico (GMG280000)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Revised Draft (NPDES) General Permit Reissuance, Notice to States of Mississippi, Alabama and Florida for Consistency Review with approved Coastal Management Programs.

SUMMARY: The Regional Administrator (RA) of EPA Region 4 (the "Region") is today proposing to revise in part Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permits for the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) of the Gulf of Mexico (General Permit No. GMG280000), published at 61 FR 64876 on December 9, 1996 for discharges in the Offshore Subcategory of the Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category (40 CFR part 435, subpart A). The existing permit, jointly issued by Regions 4 and 6 and

published at 51 FR 24897 on July 9, 1986, authorizes discharges from exploration, development, and production facilities located in and discharging to all Federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico seaward of the outer boundary of the territorial seas. Region 6 issued a final permit (General Permit No. GMG290000) for the Western portion of the OCS of the Gulf of Mexico, published at 57 FR 54642 on November 19, 1992 for facilities in Federal waters seaward of Louisiana and Texas Waters. Today's version extends permit coverage to the Central Planning Area, except specified areas of the Central Planning Area which are designated as Areas of Biological Concern. Today's proposed revised draft NPDES permits cover existing and new source facilities in the Eastern Planning Area (Alternative B of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)) with operations on Federal leases occurring in water depths seaward of 200 meters, occurring offshore the coasts of Florida and Alabama, and existing and new source facilities in the Central Planning Area (Alternative A of the EIS), with operations located in and discharging pollutants to federal waters in lease blocks located seaward of the outer boundary of the territorial seas offshore Mississippi and Alabama. The western boundary of the coverage area is demarcated by Mobile and Viosca Knoll leases located seaward of the outer boundary of the territorial seas from the coasts of Mississippi and Alabama in the Central Planning Area; except specific areas in the Central Planning Area which may be designated by EPA as Areas of Biological Concern (See Fact Sheet and Draft Environmental Impact Statement). The eastern boundary of the coverage area is demarcated by the Vernon Basin leases north of the 26° parallel and in water depths seaward of 200 meters.

All permittees holding leases on which a discharge has taken place within 2 years of the effective dates of the new general permits (operating facilities) in these areas must file a written notice of intent to be covered by either the new general permit for existing sources or the new general permit for new sources within 60 days after publication of the final determination on this action. Non-operational leases, *i.e.*, those on which no discharges have taken place in the 2 years prior to the effective date of the new general permits, are not eligible for coverage under either general permit, and their coverage under the old general permit will terminate on the effective date of the new general permits. No

NOI's will be accepted on non-operational or newly acquired leases until such time as an exploration plan or development production plan has been prepared for submission to EPA. The notice of intent must contain the information set forth in 40 CFR 122.28(b)(2)(ii) and Section A.4 of the NPDES permit. In accordance with Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category; Offshore Subcategory Effluent Guidelines and New Source Performance Standards published at 58 FR 12454 on March 4, 1993, EPA Region 4 is making an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) available concurrently with the general permits for review during the public comment period that addresses potential impacts from facilities that may be defined as new sources in the context of a comprehensive offshore permitting strategy. As set forth in Section 2.4.2 of the EIS and information received, the Regional Administrator has determined that the area in the Eastern Planning Area shoreward of the 200 meter depth and certain designated areas in the Central Planning Area includes extensive live bottom and other valuable marine habitats and includes areas of biological concern, which should be subject to more stringent review based on the ocean discharge criteria under Section 403 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and findings of the EIS. Accordingly, individual permits will be issued for operating facilities on lease blocks traversed by and shoreward of the 200 meter water depth in the Eastern Planning Area and certain designated areas of biological concern in the Central Planning Area. Owners or operators of those leases will be notified in writing that an individual permit is required. A brief statement of the reasons for this decision will be provided, together with an application form and a deadline for filing the application. If a timely application is received, general permit coverage will continue and shall automatically terminate on the date final action is taken on the individual NPDES permit application, in accordance with 40 CFR 122.28(b)(3)(ii). No application will be accepted for non-operational leases until such time as an exploration plan or development production plan has been prepared for submission to EPA. Owners of non-operational leases and operators who neither file a notice of intent nor an individual permit application will lose coverage under the old general permit on the effective date of the new general permits.

As proposed, these NPDES general permits include BPT, BCT, and BAT