

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 ARCH STREET PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19103-2029

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VIA UPS NEXT DAY AIR

Gary Jordan Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC 560 Little Pecks Run Road Volga, West Virginia 26238 MAR 1 6 2018

Re:

Consent Agreement and Final Order EPA Docket No.: TSCA-03-2018-0079

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed is a copy of the CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER filed today with the Regional Hearing Clerk settling the matter referenced above. For your file, I am also enclosing a copy of the supporting memorandum from Environmental Protection Agency management to the Regional Judicial Officer. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (215) 814-2066.

Sincerely,

Jennifer M. Abramson

Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

Enclosures

cc:

Valarie Pelletier, EPA

# BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

## 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

In the Matter of:	DOCKET NO.: TSCA-03-2018-0079
Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC 560 Little Pecks Run Road Volga, West Virginia 26238	Proceeding Under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 2615(a)
Respondent,	
240 Arnold Avenue	
Weston, West Virginia	6 PH
4574 Mount Clare Road	)
Mount Clare, West Virginia	) 3.46 1.46
Target Housing.	)

#### CONSENT AGREEMENT

#### I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

- 1. This Consent Agreement is entered into by the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III ("Complainant" or "EPA" or "Agency") and Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC ("Respondent"), pursuant to Sections 16(a) and 409 of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 2615(a) and 2689, the federal regulations set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F, and the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules of Practice"), 40 C.F.R. Part 22 (with specific reference to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2) and (3)).
- 2. The violations cited herein pertain to Respondent's alleged failure, as a seller or lessor of target housing, to comply with requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F, Section 1018(b)(5) of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act ("RLBPHRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5), and Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.
- 3. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b) and .18(b)(2) and (3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, Complainant hereby simultaneously commences and resolves, as part of the settlement set forth herein, EPA's civil claims alleged in Section IV ("Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law") of this Consent Agreement.

I hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of the original CAC filed in this matter.

Attorney for EPA

#### II. JURISDICTION

4. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Regional Administrator or Regional Judicial Officer have jurisdiction over the above-captioned matter pursuant to Sections 16 and 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2615 and 2689, Section 1018 of Title X of the RLBPHRA, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d, 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F, and 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.1(a)(5) and 22.4 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice.

#### III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- For purposes of this proceeding, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth in this Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "CAFO".
- 6. Except as provided in Paragraph 5 of this Consent Agreement, Respondent neither admits nor denies the factual allegations and legal conclusions set forth in this Consent Agreement.
- 7. Respondent agrees not to contest the jurisdiction of EPA with respect to the execution of this Consent Agreement, the issuance of the attached Final Order, or the enforcement of this CAFO.
- 8. For purposes of this proceeding only, Respondent hereby expressly waives any right to contest any issue of law or fact set forth in this Consent Agreement and any right to appeal the accompanying Final Order.
- 9. Respondent consents to the issuance of this CAFO and agrees to comply with its terms and conditions.
- 10. Each Party to this Consent Agreement shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees.

#### IV. FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 11. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b) and .18(b)(2) and (3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, Complainant alleges and adopts the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth immediately below.
- 12. Respondent is a limited liability company registered in the State of West Virginia, and a "person" under Sections 16(a) and 409 of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 2615(a) and 2689.
- 13. At all times relevant to the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement, Respondent was a "seller" and/or "lessor" in connection with a March 29, 2013 lease-purchase transaction involving a "residential dwelling" located at 240 Arnold Avenue in Weston, West Virginia, and a January 9, 2016 lease-purchase transaction involving a "residential dwelling" located at 4574 Mount Clare Road in Mount Clare, West Virginia, as those terms are defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.

14. At all relevant times to the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement, the residential dwellings described in Paragraph 13 were constructed prior to 1978 and were not "housing for the elderly" or persons with disabilities or "0-bedroom dwelling[s]" as those terms are defined in 40 C.F.R. § 745.103, and were "target housing" as this term is defined at 40 C.F.R. § 745.103.

15. At all relevant times to the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement, the lease-purchase transactions involving the residential dwellings described in Paragraph 13 were not "[s]ales of target housing at foreclosure," as provided at 40 C.F.R. § 745.101(a); "[l]eases of target housing. . . found to be lead-based paint free by an inspector certified under the Federal certification program or under a federally accredited State or tribal certification program," as provided at 40 C.F.R. § 745.101(b); "[s]hort-term leases of 100 days or less, where no lease renewal or extension can occur," as provided at 40 C.F.R. § 745.101(c); or "[r]enewals of existing leases . . . in which the lessor has previously disclosed all information required under § 745.107 and where no new information described in § 745.107 has come into the possession of the lessor," as provided at 40 C.F.R. § 745.101(d).

#### COUNT 1 – FAILURE TO PROVIDE LEAD HAZARD INFORMATION PAMPHLET

- 16. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 15 of this Consent Agreement are incorporated by reference herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 17. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.107(a)(1), before any purchaser or lessee is obligated under any agreement to purchase or lease target housing, the seller or lessor must provide the purchaser or lessee with an EPA-approved lead hazard information pamphlet, either the EPA document entitled *Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home* or an equivalent pamphlet that has been approved for use in Pennsylvania by EPA.
- 18. Respondent failed to provide the purchaser/lessee an EPA-approved lead hazard information pamphlet before entering into the March 29, 2013 lease-purchase transaction to lease/purchase the property located at 240 Arnold Avenue in Weston, West Virginia.
- 19. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(e), Respondent's acts or omissions described in Paragraphs 18 constitute a violation of 40 C.F.R. § 745.107(a)(1); Section 1018(b)(5) of RLBPHRA, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5); and Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.

#### COUNT 2 – FAILURE TO INCLUDE LEAD WARNING STATEMENT IN CONTRACTS

- 20. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 19 of this Consent Agreement are incorporated by reference herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 21. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(l) and (b)(1), each contract to sell or lease target housing is required to include, as an attachment or within a lease contract, a Lead Warning Statement containing language specified in 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(l) or (b)(1).

22. Respondent failed to include a Lead Warning Statement containing the language specified by 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(l) or (b)(1) either as an attachment to or within the March 29, 2013 lease-purchase transaction to lease/purchase the property located at 240 Arnold Avenue in Weston, West Virginia.

23. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(e), Respondent's acts or omissions described in Paragraph 22 constitute a violation of 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(l) or (b)(1); Section 1018(b)(5) of RLBPHRA, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5); and Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.

# COUNTS 3 and 4 - FAILURE TO INCLUDE LEAD STATEMENT IN CONTRACTS

- 24. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 23 of this Consent Agreement are incorporated by reference herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 25. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(2) and (b)(2), each contract to purchase or lease target housing must include, as an attachment or within a lease contract, a statement by the seller or lessor disclosing the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the target housing being sold or leased or indicating no knowledge of the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards. The seller or lessor shall also disclose any additional information available concerning any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards, such as the basis for the determination that lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards exist, the location of the lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards and the condition of the painted surfaces.
- 26. Respondent failed to include a statement disclosing the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards or a statement indicating no knowledge of the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards, either as an attachment to or within the March 29, 2013 lease-purchase transaction to lease/purchase the property located at 240 Arnold Avenue in Weston, West Virginia.
- 27. Respondent failed to include a statement disclosing the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards or a statement indicating no knowledge of the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards, either as an attachment to or within the February 3, 2016 lease-purchase transaction to lease/purchase the property located at 4574 Mount Clare Road in Mount Clare, West Virginia.
- 28. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(e), Respondent's acts or omissions described in Paragraphs 26-27 constitute violations of 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(2) or (b)(2); Section 1018(b)(5) of RLBPHRA, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5); and Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.

# COUNT 5 - FAILURE TO INCLUDE AFFIRMATION STATEMENTS IN CONTRACTS

29. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 28 of this Consent Agreement are incorporated by reference herein as though fully set forth at length.

- 30. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(4) and (b)(4), each contract to sell or lease target housing must include, as an attachment or within a lease contract, a statement by the purchaser or lessee affirming receipt of the lead hazard information pamphlet required under 15 U.S.C. § 2686.
- 31. Respondent failed to include a statement by the lessee/purchaser affirming receipt of the lead hazard information pamphlet, either as an attachment to or within the February 3, 2016 lease-purchase transaction to lease/purchase the property located at 4574 Mount Clare Road in Mount Clare, West Virginia.
- 32. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 745.118(e), Respondent's acts or omissions described in Paragraph 31 constitute a violation of 40 C.F.R. §§ 745.113(a)(4) or (b)(4); Section 1018(b)(5) of RLBPHRA, 42 U.S.C. § 4852d(b)(5); and Section 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2689.

#### V. CIVIL PENALTY

- 33. In settlement of EPA's claims for civil penalties assessable for the violations alleged in this Consent Agreement, Respondent consents to the assessment of a civil penalty in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000) which Respondent shall be liable to pay in accordance with the terms set forth below. Such civil penalty amount shall become due and payable immediately upon Respondent's receipt of a true and correct copy of this CAFO. In order to avoid the assessment of interest, administrative costs and late payment penalties in connection with such civil penalty, as described in Paragraphs 37 through 40, Respondent must pay such civil penalty no later than THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS after the date on which a true and correct copy of the signed and executed CAFO is delivered to Respondent.
- 34. The aforesaid settlement amount is based upon Complainant's consideration of a number of factors, including the penalty criteria set forth in Section 16(a)(2)(B) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(2)(B), i.e., the nature, circumstances, extent and gravity of the violations, and with respect to the Respondent, ability to pay, effect on ability to continue to do business, any history of prior such violations, and degree of culpability, and such other matters as justice may require. These factors were applied to the particular facts and circumstances of this case with specific reference to EPA's December 2007 Section 1018 Disclosure Rule Enforcement Response and Penalty Policy, and 40 C.F.R. Part 19.
- 35. The Parties acknowledge and represent that the aforesaid settlement is based, in part, upon an analysis of Respondent's ability to pay a civil penalty. This analysis was based upon financial information submitted to Complainant by Respondent. By his signature below, Respondent's representative certifies that the information submitted to EPA regarding its ability to pay is accurate and not misleading. Respondent is aware that the submission of false or misleading information to the United States government may subject a person to separate civil and/or criminal liability. Complainant reserves the right to seek and obtain appropriate relief if Complainant obtains evidence that the information provided and/or representations made by Respondent to Complainant regarding Respondent's claim of inability to pay, or regarding any of other matter herein at issue, are materially false, fictitious or fraudulent.

- 36. Payment of the civil penalty amount described in Paragraph 33, shall be made by either cashier's check, certified check or electronic wire transfer, in the following manner:
  - a. Mailing (via first class U.S. Postal Service Mail) a certified, cashier's or business check, made payable to the "United States Treasury" to the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, MO, 63197-9000. Contact: Craig Steffen 513-487-2091

Jessica Henderson 513-487-2718

b. Via Overnight Delivery of a certified, cashier's or business check, made payable to the "United States Treasury", sent to the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Government Lockbox 979077 1005 Convention Plaza SL-MO-C2-GL St. Louis, MO 63101 Phone contact: 314-418-1028

c. All payments made by check in any currency drawn on banks with no USA branches shall be addressed for delivery to:

> Cincinnati Finance US EPA, MS-NWD 26 W. M.L. King Drive Cincinnati, OH 45268-0001

d. By electronic funds transfer ("EFT") to the following account:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York ABA 021030004 Account No. 68010727 SWIFT Address FRNYUS33 33 Liberty Street NY, NY 10045

(Field tag 4200 of Fedwire message should read "D 68010727 Environmental Protection Agency")

e. By automatic clearinghouse ("ACH") to the following account:

U.S. Treasury REX/Cashlink ACH Receiver ABA 051036706 Account No. 310006 Environmental Protection Agency CTX Format Transaction Code 22 – checking

Contact: John Schmid 202-874-7026

REX 866-234-5681

- f. Online payments can be made at WWW.PAY.GOV by entering "sfo 1.1" in the search field, and opening the form and completing the required fields.
- g. Additional payment guidance is available at:

http://www2.epa.gov/financial/makepayment

All payments shall also reference the above case caption and docket number (Docket No. TSCA-03-2018-0079). At the same time that any payment is made, Respondent shall mail copies of any corresponding check, or provide written notification confirming any electronic wire transfer, automated clearinghouse or online payment to the following addressees:

Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00) U.S. EPA, Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029 Jennifer M. Abramson (3RC50) U.S. EPA; Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

- 37. Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717 and 40 C.F.R. § 13.11, EPA is entitled to assess interest and late payment penalties on outstanding debts owed to the United States and a charge to cover the costs of processing and handling a delinquent claim, as more fully described below. Accordingly, Respondent's failure to make timely payment or to comply with the conditions in this Consent Agreement and Final Order shall result in the assessment of late payment charges including interest, penalties, and/or administrative costs of handling delinquent debts.
- 38. Interest on the civil penalty assessed in this CAFO will begin to accrue on the date that a copy of this CAFO is delivered to the Respondent. However, EPA will not seek to recover interest on any amount of the civil penalty that is paid within thirty (30) calendar days after the date on which such interest begins to accrue. Interest will be assessed at the rate of the United States Treasury tax and loan rate in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §13.11(a).
- 39. The cost of EPA's administrative handling of overdue debts is charged and assessed monthly throughout the period the debt is overdue. 40 C.F.R. §13.11(b). Pursuant to Appendix 2 of EPA's Resources Management Directives Cash Management, Chapter 9, EPA will assess a \$15.00 administrative handling charge for administrative costs on unpaid penalties for the first thirty (30) day period after the payment is due and an additional \$15.00 for each subsequent thirty (30) days the penalty remains unpaid.

40. A penalty charge of six (6) percent per year will be assessed monthly on any portion of the civil penalty which remains delinquent more than ninety (90) calendar days. 40 C.F.R. §13.11 (c). Should assessment of the penalty charge on the debt be required, it shall accrue from the first day payment is delinquent. 31 C.F.R. § 901.9(d).

41. Respondent agrees not to deduct for federal tax purposes the civil penalty specified in this Consent Agreement and the accompanying Final Order.

#### VI. EFFECT OF SETTLEMENT

42. The settlement set forth in this CAFO shall constitute full and final satisfaction of all civil claims for penalties which Complainant may have under TSCA and/or the RLBPHRA for the specific violations alleged in Section IV ("Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law"). Compliance with this CAFO shall not be a defense to any action commenced at any time for any other violation of the federal laws and regulations administered by EPA.

#### VII. OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

43. Nothing in this CAFO shall relieve Respondent of its obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

#### VIII. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

44. Respondent certifies to Complainant, upon investigation, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it currently is in compliance with the Lead Disclosure Rule promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F. Respondent further certifies that it understands that for sales and leases involving housing constructed prior to 1978, it must provide the *Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home* lead hazard information pamphlet to purchasers and lessees and otherwise comply with the requirements of the Lead Disclosure Rule promulgated 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F; and that for renovations for compensation performed at housing constructed prior to 1978, it (or any renovation contractors it hires) must provide *The Lead-Safe Certified Guide to Renovate Right* to owners and adult occupants and otherwise comply with the requirements of the Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule (RRP Rule) promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart E.

#### IX. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

45. This Consent Agreement and the accompanying Final Order resolve only EPA's claims for civil monetary penalties for the specific violations alleged in Section IV ("Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law") herein. EPA reserves the right to commence action against any person, including Respondent, in response to any condition which EPA determines may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, public welfare, or the environment. In addition, this settlement is subject to all limitations on the scope of resolution and to the reservation of rights set forth in Section 22.18 (c) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice. Further, EPA reserves any rights and remedies available to it under TSCA, the

RLBPHRA, the regulations promulgated thereunder, and any other federal laws or regulations for which EPA has jurisdiction, to enforce the provisions of this CAFO, following its filing with the EPA Regional Hearing Clerk.

#### X. PARTIES BOUND

46. This Consent Agreement and the accompanying Final Order shall apply to and be binding upon the EPA, the Respondent, and Respondent's successors and assigns. By his or her signature below, the person signing this Consent Agreement on behalf of Respondent acknowledges that he or she is fully authorized to enter into this Consent Agreement and to legally bind Respondent to the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

#### XI. EFFECTIVE DATE

47. The effective date of this Consent Agreement and the accompanying Final Order is the date on which the Final Order, signed by the Regional Administrator of EPA Region III, or his designee, the Regional Judicial Officer, is filed with the EPA Regional Hearing Clerk pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice.

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

48. This Consent Agreement and the accompanying Final Order constitute the entire agreement and understanding of the parties regarding settlement of all claims pertaining to the specific violations alleged herein and there are no representations, warranties, covenants, terms, or conditions agreed upon between the parties other than those expressed in this CAFO.

For Respondent:

2-26-16

Gary Jordan, Member

Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC

For Complainant:

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Jennifer M. Abramson, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

U.S. EPA Region III

Accordingly, I hereby recommend that the Regional Administrator, or his designee, the Regional Judicial Officer, issue the attached Final Order.

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Date

John A. Armstead, Director Land and Chemicals Division

U.S. EPA Region III

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### EPA DOCKET NO. TSCA-03-2018-0079

#### FINAL ORDER

Proceeding under Section 16(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 2615(a)

#### FINAL ORDER

Complainant, the Director of the Land and Chemicals Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, and Respondent, Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC, have executed a document entitled "Consent Agreement," which I hereby ratify as a Consent Agreement in accordance with the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules of Practice"), 40 C.F.R. Part 22 (with specific reference to Sections 22.18(b)(2) and (3)). The terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement are accepted by the undersigned and incorporated into this Final Order as if fully set forth at length herein.

Based upon the representations of the parties in the attached Consent Agreement, the penalty agreed to therein is based upon consideration of, *inter alia*, the statutory factors of Section 16(a)(2)(B) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(2)(B), EPA's December 2007 Section 1018 Disclosure Rule Final Enforcement Response Policy, adjusted for inflation pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO** Section 16 of the TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615, and Section 22.18(b)(3) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent pay a civil penalty in the amount of *FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS* (\$5,000), in accordance with the payment provisions set forth in the Consent Agreement, and comply with the terms and conditions of the Consent Agreement.

The effective date of the attached Consent Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

March 15, 2018

Date

Joseph J. Lisa

Regional Judicial and Presiding Officer

U.S. EPA Region III

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the foregoing CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER in the above referenced matter was sent this day in the following manner to the below addressees.

Original and one copy by hand-delivery: Regional Hearing Clerk

Copy by UPS Next Day Air:

Gary Jordan

Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC 560 Little Pecks Run Road

Volga, West Virginia 26238

MAR 16 2018

Date

Jennifer M. Abramson (3RC50) Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

U.S. EPA, Region III

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

# 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

## **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT/:

Consent Agreement and Final Order

Docket No: TSCA-03-2018-0079

FROM:

Mary B. Coe Regional Counsel (3RC00)

John A. Armstead, Director

Land and Chemicals Division (3LC00)

TO:

Joseph J. Lisa /// 3/18

Regional Judicial Officer (3RC00)

The attached Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO") have been negotiated with Jordan's Land and Rentals, LLC ("Respondent") in settlement of actionable Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA") violations. The compliance issues addressed in the CAFO involve the failure to comply with requirements of the Disclosure of Known Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards Upon Sale or Lease of Residential Property regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 745, Subpart F in connection with leasing of pre-1978 housing, which subjects Respondent to civil penalties under Sections 16(a) and 409 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2615(a) and 2689.

The litigation team calculated a civil penalty of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in consideration of the statutory factors set forth in Section 16(a)(2)(B) of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(2)(B), *i.e.*, the nature, circumstances, extent and gravity of the violations, and with respect to the Respondent's, ability to pay, effect on ability to continue to do business, any history of prior such violations, the degree of culpability, and such other matters as justice may require; EPA's December 2007 Section 1018 — Disclosure Rule Enforcement Response and Penalty Policy; and 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

We recommend that you sign the attached Final Order assessing five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in civil penalties against Respondent. After you execute the Final Order, please return the documents to Jennifer M. Abramson of Office of Regional Counsel for further processing.

#### Attachments

cc:

Gary Jordan

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Phone: (304) 439-0197

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