



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
VS.
YANKEE GAS SERVICES COMPANY

ORDER NO. 8079

CONSENT ORDER

A. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection ("Commissioner") finds the following:

- 1. Yankee Gas Services Company ("Respondent") is a corporation which owns property located at the corner of Waterfront Street and Alabama Street more fully described as Lot 2, Block 951, Map 66 ("the site"), New Haven, Connecticut.
2. The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has designated the city of New Haven as nonattainment with respect to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards ("NAAQS") for particulate matter with a nominal diameter of ten microns or less ("PM10").
3. The Commissioner, in accordance with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, is developing a plan which reduces emissions of particulate matter to bring the city of New Haven into attainment with the NAAQS for PM10.
4. At the site, Respondent has caused or permitted materials to be handled, transported or stored without taking reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne and has caused or permitted the discharge of visible emissions beyond the lot line of the site.
5. The Commissioner has determined that Respondent must reduce fugitive emissions at the facility to bring the nonattainment area into attainment with the NAAQS for PM10.
6. By virtue of the above, Respondent has violated Sections 22a-174-18(b)(1) and 22a-174-18(b)(3) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("Regulations").

B. With the agreement of Respondent, the Commissioner, acting under Sections 22a-6, 22a-171, 22a-174, 22a-177 and 22a-178 of the Connecticut General Statutes, orders Respondent as follows:

Respondent's initials: [Signature]

Date: 6/14/93

1. Upon the date of issuance of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit for the Commissioner's review and written approval a comprehensive and thorough written plan which identifies the remedial actions which Respondent will take to prevent particulate matter from being airborne and to ensure no fugitive discharges of visible emissions beyond Respondent's legal property boundaries will occur. The remedial action in such plan shall designate all land within the site as vehicle travel, parking or fenced vegetated areas. Such plan shall include requirements for one or more of the following options:
 - a. properly grading and paving all areas that will be open to vehicle travel and parking;
 - b. fencing in with permanent barriers, such as guard rails, all areas that will not be open to vehicle travel and parking;
 - c. planting all areas included within such permanent barriers with vegetation suitable to the soil and climate;
 - d. constructing wind barriers of no greater than 50% porosity to surround all piles of stored raw and or product materials up to the pile height and as long as pile base; and
 - e. installing and operating a wet suppression system for all piles of stored raw and or product materials.

The plan shall include an implementation and maintenance schedule for all remedial actions proposed by the Respondent in this Consent Order and shall evaluate any other alternative specified by the Commissioner. The plan also shall include a schedule for applying for and obtaining all approvals required for such remedial actions. The schedule shall provide for completion of all remedial actions as soon as possible, but in no event later than three (3) months from the approval of the plan by the Commissioner.

2. Respondent shall perform the approved plan in accordance with the approved schedule. Within fifteen days after completing all such actions, the Respondent shall certify to the Commissioner in writing that the actions have been completed as approved.

Respondent's initials: *C*

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specified by the Commissioner or, if no time is specified by the Commissioner, within thirty days of the Commissioner's notice of deficiencies. In approving any document or other action under this Consent Order, the Commissioner may approve the document or other action as submitted or performed or with such conditions or modifications as the Commissioner deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this Consent Order. Nothing in this paragraph shall excuse noncompliance or delay.

11. Definitions. As used in this Consent Order, "Commissioner" means the Commissioner or an agent of the Commissioner.
12. Dates. The date of submission to the Commissioner of any document required by this Consent Order shall be the date such document is received by the Commissioner. The date of any notice by the Commissioner under this Consent Order, including but not limited to notice of approval or disapproval of any document or other action, shall be the date such notice is personally delivered or the date three days after it is mailed by the Commissioner, whichever is earlier. Except as otherwise specified in this Consent Order, the word "day" as used in this Consent Order means calendar day. Any document or action which is required by this Consent Order to be submitted or performed by a date which falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday shall be submitted or performed on or before the following day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.
13. Notification of noncompliance. In the event that Respondent becomes aware that it did not or may not comply, or did not or may not comply on time, with any requirement of this Consent Order or of any document required hereunder, Respondent shall immediately notify the Commissioner and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that any noncompliance or delay is avoided or, if unavoidable, is minimized to the greatest extent possible. In so notifying the Commissioner, Respondent shall state in writing the reasons for the noncompliance or delay and propose, for the review and written approval of the Commissioner, dates by which compliance will be achieved, and Respondent shall comply with any dates which may be approved in writing by the Commissioner. Notification by Respondent shall not excuse noncompliance or delay, and the Commissioner's approval of any compliance dates proposed shall not excuse noncompliance or delay unless specifically so stated by the Commissioner in writing.

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14. Certification of documents. Any document, including but not limited to any notice, which is required to be submitted to the Commissioner under this Consent Order shall be signed by a responsible corporate officer of the Respondent or a duly authorized representative of such officer, as those terms are defined in section 22a-430-3(b)(2) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, and by the individual or individuals responsible for actually preparing such document, each of whom shall certify in writing as follows:

"I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statement made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense."

15. Noncompliance. This Consent Order is a final order of the Commissioner with respect to the matters addressed herein, and is nonappealable and immediately enforceable. Failure to comply with this Consent Order may subject Respondent to an injunction and penalties under Chapters 439 and 446c of the Connecticut General Statutes.
16. False statements. Any false statement in any information submitted pursuant to this Consent Order may be punishable as a criminal offense under Section 22a-175 of the Connecticut General Statutes or, in accordance with Section 22a-6, under Section 53a-157 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
17. Notice of transfer; liability of Respondent and others. Until Respondent has fully complied with this Consent Order, Respondent shall notify the Commissioner in writing no later than fifteen days after transferring all or any portion of the operations, the site or the business, which are the subject of this Consent Order, or obtaining a new mailing or location address. Respondent's obligations under this Consent Order shall not be affected by the passage of title to any property to any other person or municipality. Any future owner of the site may be subject to the issuance of an order from the Commissioner.

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18. Commissioner's powers. Nothing in this Consent Order shall affect the Commissioner's authority to institute any proceeding to prevent or abate violations of law, prevent or abate pollution, recover costs and natural resource damages, and to impose penalties for violations of law, including but not limited to violations of any permit issued by the Commissioner. If at any time the Commissioner determines that the actions taken by Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order have not fully characterized the extent and degree of pollution or have not successfully abated or prevented pollution, the Commissioner may institute any proceeding to require Respondent to undertake further investigation or further action to prevent or abate pollution.
19. Respondent's obligations under law. Nothing in this Consent Order shall relieve Respondent of other obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.
20. No assurance by Commissioner. No provision of this Consent Order and no action or inaction by the Commissioner shall be construed to constitute an assurance by the Commissioner that the actions taken by Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order will result in compliance or prevent or abate pollution.
21. Access to site. Any representative of the Department of Environmental Protection may enter the site without prior notice for the purposes of monitoring and enforcing the actions required or allowed by this Consent Order.
22. No effect on rights of other persons. This Consent Order shall neither create nor affect any rights of persons who or municipalities which are not parties to this Consent Order.
23. Notice to Commissioner of changes. Within fifteen days of the date Respondent becomes aware of a change in any information submitted to the Commissioner under this Consent Order, or that any such information was inaccurate or misleading or that any relevant information was omitted, Respondent shall submit the correct or omitted information to the Commissioner.
24. Submission of documents. Any document required to be submitted to the Commissioner under this Consent Order shall, unless otherwise specified in writing by the Commissioner, be directed to:

Elizabeth I. Hotaling
Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Management
165 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Respondent's initials: CS

Date: 6/14/93

Respondent consents to the issuance of this Consent Order without further notice. The undersigned certifies that he/she is fully authorized to enter into this Consent Order and to legally bind the Respondent to the terms and conditions of the Consent Order.

YANKEE GAS SERVICES COMPANY

BY: Charles E. Goolley
print: Charles E. Goolley
title: Vice President - Administration & General Counsel
date: 6/14/93

Issued as a final order of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection on Sept 24, 1993.

Timothy R. E. Keeney
Timothy R.E. Keeney
Commissioner

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