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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

June 18, 2007

**Re: Director's Final Findings & Orders**  
SGL Carbon Technic LLC  
US EPA ID No.: OHD 193 801 065

Ms. Libby Knowles, General Manager  
SGL Carbon Technic LLC  
21945 Drake Road  
Strongsville, Ohio 44149

Dear Ms. Knowles:

Here are the Director's Final Findings and Orders (Orders) issued to SGL Carbon Technic LLC on June 18, 2007. These Orders are effective today.

I have also enclosed an invoice for the penalty payment as required by Order No. 1. Please remember that your payment is due no later than July 18, 2007.

If you have any questions concerning compliance with these Orders, do not hesitate to contact Kurt Princic at (330) 963-1200.

Sincerely,

David A. Sholtis, Assistant Chief  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

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**Attachments**

- c: Michael A. Savage, Chief, DHWM CO
- Harry Sarvis, Mgr., CAS, DHWM CO
- Elissa Miller, Legal
- Heidi Greismer, PIC
- Kurt Princic, Mgr., DHWM, NEDO

Ted Strickland, Governor  
Lee Fisher, Lieutenant Governor  
Chris Korleski, Director

I certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the official documents as filed in the records of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

OHIO E.P.A.

JUN 18 2007

ENTERED DIRECTOR'S JOURNAL

By: John J. [Signature] Date: 6-18-07

BEFORE THE  
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

In the Matter of:

SGL Carbon Technic LLC  
21945 Drake Road  
Strongsville, Ohio 44149

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 SGL Carbon Technic LLC (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 the 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 thereunder.

#### IV. FINDINGS

The Director of Ohio EPA has determined the following findings:

1. Respondent manufactures chemical processing equipment, such as heat exchangers and pumps, and is located at 21945 Drake Road, Strongsville, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (Facility).
2. Respondent is a "person" as defined in ORC § 3734.01(G) and OAC rule 3745-50-10(A).
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. Respondent is identified as a conditionally exempt small quantity generator of hazardous waste. Respondent previously operated as a large quantity generator of hazardous waste during calendar years 2002 and 2003. The hazardous waste generated by Respondent at the Facility consists of waste paint (D001, D035, F003, F005).
4. Respondent notified Ohio EPA of its hazardous waste activities and was issued generator identification number OHD193801065.
5. In April and May, 2005, Ohio EPA conducted a compliance evaluation inspection at Vexor Technology, Inc., located at 955 West Smith Road, Medina, Ohio (Vexor). As a result of that inspection, Ohio EPA determined that Respondent had, on March 14, 2002, caused to be transported one container of waste to Vexor. Specifically, the container of hazardous waste was characteristic for ignitability (D001). Vexor does not hold a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit issued in accordance with ORC Chapter 3734. The container of waste was transported as non-hazardous waste and was accompanied by non-hazardous shipping papers.
6. On March 15, 2002, Vexor shipped the container of hazardous waste to Chemical Solvents, Inc. (CSI), a facility operating under a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit.
7. On September 14, 2006, Ohio EPA conducted a compliance evaluation inspection at the Facility. As a result of the inspection, and through a review of the documentation obtained during Ohio EPA's inspection at Vexor, Ohio EPA determined that Respondent had, *inter alia*:

- a. Failed to determine whether waste generated at the Facility was hazardous waste, in violation of OAC rule 3745-52-11;
  - b. Caused one container of hazardous waste, referenced in Finding No. 5 of these Orders, be transported to Vexor, a facility which does not operate under a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit issued in accordance with ORC Chapter 3734., in violation of ORC § 3734.02(F); and
  - c. Failed to label one container of used oil with the words, "Used Oil," in violation of OAC rule 3745-279-22(C).
8. By letter dated September 25, 2006, Ohio EPA notified Respondent of the violations referenced in Finding Nos. 7.a. through 7.c. of these Orders.
  9. In correspondence dated November 6, 2006, Respondent submitted responses to Ohio EPA's September 25, 2006 letter.
  10. By letter dated November 15, 2006, Ohio EPA notified Respondent that Respondent had abated the violations referenced in Finding Nos. 7.a. and 7.c. of these Orders.
  11. Because the container of hazardous waste was transported from Vexor to CSI, the Director has determined that no further action is required of Respondent to abate the ORC § 3734.02(F) violation referenced in Finding No. 7.b. of these Orders.

## **V. ORDERS**

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

1. Within 30 days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall pay Ohio EPA the amount of \$4,440.00 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 \$4,440.00. 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 and the Facility. A copy of this check shall be submitted in accordance with Section X. of these Orders.

## **VI. TERMINATION**

Respondent's obligations under these Orders shall terminate upon Ohio EPA's receipt of the official check 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  
Northeast District Office  
Division of Hazardous Waste Management  
Attn: DHWM Manager  
2110 E. Aurora Road  
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087

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, Suite 700  
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**

  
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Chris Kortleski  
Director

JUN 18 2007  
Date

**IT IS SO AGREED:**

**SGL Carbon Technic LLC**

  
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Signature

5/7/07  
Date

Libby Knowles  
Printed or Typed Name

General Manager  
Title