



State of Mississippi

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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
CHRIS WELLS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 15, 2023

CERTIFIED MAIL# 7019 1120 0000 4785 9217

Mr. George Vann
Masonite Corporation
PO Box 1048
Laurel, Mississippi 39441

Re: Masonite Corporation
Agreed Order No. 7254 23

Dear Mr. Vann:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Agreed Order No. 7254 23, which has been executed by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Chris Wells, on behalf of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality.

The enclosed Order assesses a civil penalty. The penalty payment, when due, should be made by check payable to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and returned in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope to the MDEQ Accounts Receivable at P.O. Box 2339, Jackson, MS 39225.

If you have any questions regarding your obligations under the enclosed order, please contact Geoffrey Martin at (601) 961-5024.

Sincerely,

Michelle Clark, P.E., BCEE, Chief
Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Division

Enclosure
cc: Geoffrey Martin

Agency Interest No. 1774
ENF20230003

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION
ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

COMPLAINANT

7254 23

VS.

ORDER NO. _____

MASONITE CORPORATION
1001 SOUTH 4TH AVENUE
LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI 39440

RESPONDENT

AGREED ORDER

COME NOW the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission), acting through the staff and Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Complainant, and Masonite Corporation, Respondent, in the above captioned cause and agree as follows:

1.

By letter dated March 29, 2023, Respondent was contacted by Complainant and notified of the following violation of Title V Operating Permit No. 1360-00028:

- A. Condition No. 3.B.10: Respondent failed to demonstrate compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ (filterable only) limit of 5.8 pounds per hour (lbs/hr) during a stack test of Emission Point AJ-103 on April 14, 2022. Respondent emitted 6.10 lbs/hr of PM/PM₁₀ (filterable only) during the stack test. Respondent demonstrated compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ (filterable only) limit during a retest of Emission Point AJ-103 on June 7, 2022.

2.

In lieu of a formal enforcement hearing concerning the violation listed above, Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter as follows:

A. Respondent agrees to pay and Complainant agrees to accept a civil penalty in the amount of \$17,500. Respondent shall pay this penalty to MDEQ within forty-five (45) days after this Agreed Order has been executed by the MDEQ Executive Director or his designee. The settlement payment shall be submitted to:

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Attn: Accounts Receivable
P.O. Box 2339
Jackson, MS 39225

3.

Nothing in this Agreed Order shall limit the rights of MDEQ or the Commission in the event Respondent fails to comply with this Agreed Order. The Agreed Order shall be strictly construed to apply to those matters expressly resolved herein.

4.

Nothing contained in this Agreed Order shall limit the rights of MDEQ or the Commission to take enforcement or other actions against Respondent for violations not addressed herein and for future violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

5.

Respondent understands and acknowledges that it is entitled to an evidentiary hearing before the Commission pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-31, and that it has made an informed waiver of that right.

ORDERED, this the 15th day of May, 2023.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

BY: *Chris Wells*

CHRIS WELLS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED, this the 9th day of May, 2023.

MASONITE CORPORATION

BY: *George Vann*
GEORGE VANN
PLANT MANAGER

STATE OF Mississippi
COUNTY OF Jones

PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the within named George Vann who first being duly sworn, did state upon his oath and acknowledge to me that he is the Plant Manager of Masonite Corporation and is authorized to sign and enter this Agreement.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this the 9th day of May, 2023.

Patricia Ann Bird
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: 11-4-2026

