

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

PHIL BRYANT GOVERNOR

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

TRUDY D. FISHER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 2, 2013

CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. William Johns Haworth Inc, Bruce Plant 316 Highway 9 South Bruce, MS 38915

> Re: Haworth Inc, Bruce Plant Agreed Order No. 6237 13

Dear Mr. Johns:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Agreed Order No. 6237 13, which has been executed by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Trudy Fisher, 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 Fees Division at P.O. Box 2339, Jackson, MS 39225.

If you have any questions regarding your obligations under the enclosed order, please contact Tim Aultman at (601) 961-5653.

Sincerely,

Chris Sanders, P.E.

Chief, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Division

Enclosure

cc: Tim Aultman

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

COMPLAINANT

VS.

order no. 6237 13

HAWORTH INC., BRUCE PLANT P O BOX 632 BRUCE, MISSISSIPPI 38915

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 Haworth Inc., Bruce Plant, Respondent, in the above captioned cause and agree as follows:

1.

By letter dated October 18, 2012, Respondent was contacted by Complainant and notified of the following violations at its facility located at 316 Highway 9 South, Bruce, Mississippi in Calhoun County:

- A. Failure to conduct monthly monitoring for pH and Flow for Outfall 001 from
 October 2011 to January 2012. (Water Pretreatment Permit No. MSP090213,
 Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements)
- B. Failure to submit a Water Pretreatment permit renewal application prior to 180 days of the permit expiration date. The Water Pretreatment permit application was due by September 1, 2012, but was not received until November 1, 2012.

 (Water Pretreatment Permit No. MSP090213, Condition S-6)

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2.

In lieu of a formal enforcement hearing concerning the violations 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 \$8,500.00. Respondent shall pay this penalty to MDEQ within forty-five (45) days after this Agreed Order has been executed by the MDEQ Executive Director. The settlement payment shall be submitted to:

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

Attn: Mona Varner

P.O. Box 2339

Jackson, MS 39225

B. Respondent shall operate under the conditions of the existing Water- Pretreatment permit until such time as the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board, or its Designee, acts on the renewal application referenced in Part 1.B.

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.

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Respondent understands and acknowledges that it is entitled to an evidentiary hearing before the Commission pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 49-17-31 (Rev. 2003), and that it has made an informed waiver of that right.

ORDERED, this the 28 day of March, 2013.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

TRUDY D. FISHER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED, this the 30th day of March, 2013.
HAWORTH INC., BRUCE PLANT
BY: Willis for
TITLE: Plant Manager
STATE OF Mississippi
COUNTY OF Calhoun
PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction
aforesaid, the within named William Johns who first being duly sworn, did state upon
his/her oath and acknowledge to me that he/she is the flant Manager of
Haworth Inc., Bruce Plant and is authorized to sign and enter this Agreement.
SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this the 20 day of March, 2013.
Mary allen NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission expires: <u>02-01-2014</u> OF MISS: OF MISS: ID # 51546
MARY ALLEN Commission Expires