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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. J. L. Worstell
Environmental Protection Coordinator
Union Carbide Corporation
P.O. Box 8004
South Charleston, West Virginia 25303

Re: Evaluation of Leak Detection Program, Union Carbide
Corporation, South Charleston, West Virginia
CDS No. 50-0760-10001

Dear Mr. Worstell:

Your request for a waiver of compliance with the vinyl chloride standards (40 CFR Part 61, Subpart F, October 21, 1976) which were promulgated pursuant to Section 112 of the Clean Air Act of 1970 as amended, 42 U.S.C. §1857c-7, for your polyvinyl chloride plant in South Charleston, West Virginia was granted in February 1977.

As the final increments in the waiver draw closer, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) needs to assess your progress toward meeting the vinyl chloride standards. At the same time, we will be performing an evaluation of your plant's leak detection and elimination program.

In order to perform this evaluation, we have scheduled an inspection of your facility for June 20, 1978. The inspection will be conducted jointly by EPA and its contractor, GCA Corporation (GCA) of Bedford, Massachusetts. GCA has performed similar work for other EPA offices and has a secrecy agreement as part of its contract. A copy of this agreement is attached for your information.

If you have any questions about the inspection or the use of a contractor, please call me at (215) 597-2847.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Peter Schaul", is written over the typed name.

Peter Schaul
Environmental Engineer
Air Enforcement Branch

Attachment

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The Contracting Officer has determined that during the performance of this contract EPA may furnish confidential business information to the Contractor that EPA obtained under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 *et seq.*), the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*), the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f *et seq.*), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*), the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 *et seq.*), or the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*). EPA regulations on confidentiality of business information in 40 CFR Part 2 Subpart B require that the Contractor agree to the Clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" before any confidential business information may be furnished to the Contractor.

TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION

(a) The Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, may disclose confidential business information to the Contractor necessary to carry out the work required under this contract. The Contractor agrees to use the confidential information only under the following conditions:

(1) The Contractor and Contractor's Employees shall: (i) use the confidential information only for the purposes of carrying out the work required by the contract; (ii) not disclose the information to anyone other than EPA employees without the prior written approval of the Deputy Associate General Counsel for Contracts and General Administration; and (iii) return to the Contracting Officer all copies of the information, and any abstracts or excerpts therefrom, upon request by the Contracting Officer, whenever the information is no longer required by the Contractor for the performance of the work required by the contract, or upon completion of the contract.

(2) The Contractor shall obtain a written agreement to honor the above limitations from each of the Contractor's Employees who will have access to the information, before the employee is allowed access.

(3) The Contractor agrees that these contract conditions concerning the use and disclosure of confidential information are included for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, both EPA and any affected business having a proprietary interest in the information.

(4) The Contractor shall not use any confidential information supplied by EPA or obtained during performance hereunder to compete with any business to which the confidential information relates.

(b) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will involve the disclosure of confidential business information by the Contractor to the subcontractor. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of confidential business information to the subcontractor.

The Contracting Officer has determined that during performance of this contract the Contractor may be required to collect information to perform the work required under this contract. Some of the information may consist of trade secrets or commercial or financial information that would be considered as proprietary or confidential by the business that has the right to the information. The following clause is included in this contract to enable EPA to resolve any claims of confidentiality concerning the information that the Contractor will furnish under this contract. The clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" is also included in this contract.

SCREENING BUSINESS INFORMATION FOR CLAIMS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

(a) Whenever collecting information under this contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following requirements:

(1) If the Contractor collects information from public sources, such as books, reports, journals, periodicals, public records, or other sources that are available to the public without restriction, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.

(2) If the Contractor collects information from a State or local government or from a Federal agency, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.

(3) If the Contractor collects information directly from a business or from a source that represents a business or businesses, such as a trade association:

(i) Before asking for the information, the Contractor shall identify itself, explain that it is performing contractual work for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, identify the information that it is seeking to collect, explain what will be done with the information, and give the following notice:

(A) You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information. If you do assert a claim, the information will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B, 41 Federal Register 36906, September 1, 1976.

(B) If no such claim is made at the time this information is received by [the Contractor], it may be made available to the public by the Environmental Protection Agency without further notice to you.

(ii) Upon receiving the information, the Contractor shall make a written notation that the notice set out above was given to the source, by whom, in what form, and on what date.

(iii) At the time the Contractor initially submits the information to the appropriate program office, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources, identify the information according to source, and indicate whether the source made any confidentiality claim and the nature and extent of the claim.

(b) The Contractor shall keep all information collected from nonpublic sources confidential in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" as if it had been furnished to the Contractor by EPA.

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(c) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will require the subcontractor to collect information. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (c), and the clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the subcontractor to collect information.

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comply with the standards prescribed in this part within 90 days of the effective date.

(b) The owner or operator of an existing source unable to operate in compliance with any standard prescribed under this part may request a waiver of compliance with such standard for a period not exceeding 2 years from the effective date. Any request shall be in writing and shall include the following information:

(1) A description of the controls to be installed to comply with the standard.

(2) A compliance schedule, including the date each step toward compliance will be reached. Such list shall include as a minimum the following dates:

(i) Date by which contracts for emission control systems or process modifications will be awarded, or date by which orders will be issued for the purchase of component parts to accomplish emission control or process modification;

(ii) Date of initiation of onsite construction or installation of emission control equipment or process change;

(iii) Date by which onsite construction or installation of emission control equipment or process modification is to be completed; and

(iv) Date by which final compliance is to be achieved.

(3) A description of interim emission control steps which will be taken during the waiver period.

(c) Changes in the information provided under paragraph (a) of this section shall be provided to the Administrator within 30 days after such change, except that if changes will result from modification of the source, as defined in § 61.02 (j), the provisions of § 61.07 and § 61.08 are applicable.

(d) The format for reporting under this section is included as appendix A of this part. Advice on reporting the status of compliance may be obtained from the Administrator.

§ 61.11 Waiver of compliance.

(a) Based on the information provided in any request under § 61.10, or other information, the Administrator may grant a waiver of compliance with a standard for a period not exceeding 2 years from the effective date of such standard.

(b) Such waiver will be in writing and will:

(1) Identify the stationary source covered.

(2) Specify the termination date of the waiver. The waiver may be terminated at an earlier date if the conditions specified under paragraph (b) (3) of this section are not met.

(3) Specify dates by which steps toward compliance are to be taken; and impose such additional conditions as the Administrator determines to be necessary to assure installation of the necessary controls within the waiver period, and to assure protection of the health of persons during the waiver period.

(c) Prior to denying any request for a waiver pursuant to this section, the Administrator will notify the owner or operator making such request of the Administrator's intention to issue such denial, together with:

(1) Notice of the information and findings on which such intended denial is based, and

(2) Notice of opportunity for such owner or operator to present, within such time limit as the Administrator specifies, additional information or arguments to the Administrator prior to final action on such request.

(d) A final determination to deny any request for a waiver will be in writing and will set forth the specific grounds on which such denial is based. Such final determination will be made within 60 days after presentation of additional information or arguments, or 60 days after the final date specified for such presentation, if no presentation is made.

(e) The granting of a waiver under this section shall not abrogate the Administrator's authority under section 114 of the act.

§ 61.12 Emission tests and monitoring.

(a) Emission tests and monitoring shall be conducted and reported as set forth in this part and appendix B to this part.

(b) The owner or operator of a new source subject to this part, and at the request of the Administrator, the owner or operator of an existing source subject to this part, shall provide or cause to be provided, emission testing facilities as follows:

(1) Sampling ports adequate for test methods applicable to such source.

(2) Safe sampling platform(s).

(3) Safe access to sampling platform(s).

(4) Utilities for sampling and testing equipment.

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(a) Emission tests may be waived upon written application to the Administrator if, in his judgment, the source is meeting the standard, or if the source is operating under a waiver of compliance or has requested a waiver of compliance.

(b) If application for waiver of the emission test is made, such application shall accompany the information required by § 61.10. The appropriate form is contained in appendix A to this part.

(c) Approval of any waiver granted pursuant to this section shall not abrogate the Administrator's authority under the act or in any way prohibit the Administrator from later canceling such waiver. Such cancellation will be made only after notice is given to the owner or operator of the source.

§ 61.14 Source test and analytical methods.

(a) Methods 101, 102, and 104 in appendix B to this part shall be used for

all source tests required under this part, unless an equivalent method or an alternative method has been approved by the Administrator.

(b) Method 103 in appendix B to this part is hereby approved by the Administrator as an alternative method for sources subject to § 61.32(a) and § 61.42 (k).

(c) The Administrator may, after notice to the owner or operator, withdraw approval of an alternative method granted under paragraphs (a), (b) or (d) of this section. Where the test results using an alternative method do not adequately indicate whether a source is in compliance with a standard, the Administrator may require the use of the reference method or its equivalent.

(d) Method 105 in Appendix B to this part is hereby approved by the Administrator as an alternative method for sources subject to § 61.52(b).

[40 FR 48292, October 14, 1975]

§ 61.15 Availability of information.

The availability to the public of information provided to, or otherwise obtained by, the Administrator under this part shall be governed by Part 2 of this chapter.

[41 FR 36918, September 1, 1976]

§ 61.16 State authority.

(a) The provisions of this part shall not be construed in any manner to preclude any State or political subdivision thereof from:

(1) Adopting and enforcing any emission limiting regulation applicable to a stationary source, provided that such emission limiting regulation is not less stringent than the standards prescribed under this part.

(2) Requiring the owner or operator of a stationary source, other than a stationary source owned or operated by the United States, to obtain permits, licenses, or approvals prior to initiating construction, modification, or operation of such source.

§ 61.17 Circumvention.

No owner or operator subject to the provisions of this part shall build, erect, install, or use any article, machine, equipment, process, or method, the use of which conceals an emission which would otherwise constitute a violation of an applicable standard. Such concealment includes, but is not limited to, the use of gaseous dilutants to achieve compliance with a visible emissions standard, and the piecemeal carrying out of an operation to avoid coverage by a standard that applies only to operations larger than a specified size.

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comply with the standards prescribed in this part within 90 days of the effective date.

(b) The owner or operator of an existing source unable to operate in compliance with any standard prescribed under this part may request a waiver of compliance with such standard for a period not exceeding 2 years from the effective date. Any request shall be in writing and shall include the following information:

(1) A description of the controls to be installed to comply with the standard.

(2) A compliance schedule, including the date each step toward compliance will be reached. Such list shall include as a minimum the following dates:

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(iv) Date by which final compliance is to be achieved.

(3) A description of interim emission control steps which will be taken during the waiver period.

(c) Changes in the information provided under paragraph (a) of this section shall be provided to the Administrator within 30 days after such change, except that if changes will result from modification of the source, as defined in § 61.02 (1), the provisions of § 61.07 and § 61.08 are applicable.

(d) The format for reporting under this section is included as appendix A of this part. Advice on reporting the status of compliance may be obtained from the Administrator.

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(b) Such waiver will be in writing and will:

(1) Identify the stationary source covered.

(2) Specify the termination date of the waiver. The waiver may be terminated at an earlier date if the conditions specified under paragraph (b) (3) of this section are not met.

(3) Specify dates by which steps toward compliance are to be taken; and impose such additional conditions as the Administrator determines to be necessary to assure installation of the necessary controls within the waiver period, to assure protection of the health of persons during the waiver period.

(c) Prior to denying any request for a waiver pursuant to this section, the Administrator will notify the owner or operator making such request of the Administrator's intention to issue such denial, together with:

(1) Notice of the information and findings on which such intended denial is based, and

(2) Notice of opportunity for such owner or operator to present, within such time limit as the Administrator specifies, additional information or arguments to the Administrator prior to final action on such request.

(d) A final determination to deny any request for a waiver will be in writing and will set forth the specific grounds on which such denial is based. Such final determination will be made within 60 days after presentation of additional information or arguments, or 60 days after the final date specified for such presentation, if no presentation is made.

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(b) If application for waiver of the emission test is made, such application shall accompany the information required by § 61.10. The appropriate form is contained in appendix A to this part.

(c) Approval of any waiver granted pursuant to this section shall not abrogate the Administrator's authority under the act or in any way prohibit the Administrator from later canceling such waiver. Such cancellation will be made only after notice is given to the owner or operator of the source.

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comply with the standards prescribed in this part within 90 days of the effective date.

(b) The owner or operator of an existing source unable to operate in compliance with any standard prescribed under this part may request a waiver of compliance with such standard for a period not exceeding 2 years from the effective date. Any request shall be in writing and shall include the following information:

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(b) Such waiver will be in writing and will:

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Specify the termination date of waiver. The waiver may be terminated at an earlier date if the conditions specified under paragraph (b) (3) of this section are not met.

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[41 FR 36918, September 1, 1976]

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[41 FR 36918, September 1, 1976]

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(2) Requiring the owner or operator of a stationary source, other than a stationary source owned or operated by the United States, to obtain permits, licenses, or approvals prior to initiating construction, modification, or operation of such source.

§ 61.17 Circumvention.

No owner or operator subject to the provisions of this part shall build, erect, install, or use any article, machine, equipment, process, or method, the use of which conceals an emission which would otherwise constitute a violation of an applicable standard. Such concealment includes, but is not limited to, the use of gaseous dilutants to achieve compliance with a visible emissions standard, and the piecemeal carrying out of an operation to avoid coverage by a standard that applies only to operations larger than a specified size.

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