



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 10**

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DIVISION

Reply To: 20-C04

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Paula Stoppler
Technical Director
Cosmo Specialty Fibers Inc.
1701 1st Street
Cosmopolis, Washington 98537

Re: INFORMATION REQUEST Regarding Cosmo Specialty Fibers Inc., Cosmopolis, Washington

Dear Ms. Stoppler:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 10 seeks information concerning the pulp mill owned or operated by Cosmo Specialty Fibers Inc. and its parent company Charlestown Investments Holding Ltd. (collectively "Cosmo Specialty Fibers"), at 1701 1st Street in Cosmopolis, Washington 98537 ("Facility"). The enclosed Information Request is issued to Cosmo Specialty Fibers pursuant to Section 114 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), 42 U.S.C. § 7414.

EPA Region 10 conducted an inspection of the Facility on December 6-8, 2022. The purpose of the inspection was to assess the Facility's compliance with the CAA and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) Section 313. This Information Request is being sent to follow up on potential compliance concerns under the CAA identified during the inspection.

Under CAA Section 114, 42 U.S.C. § 7414, EPA is authorized to require the submission of records, reports, and other information for the purpose of determining whether any violations of the CAA have occurred and for other purposes of the CAA. This includes the authority to require the sampling of emissions. Cosmo Specialty Fibers is required to provide information and documents in accordance with the enclosed Information Request within the timeframes set forth in Section C of Enclosure 1. If you anticipate being unable to fully respond to this Information Request by the specified date, you may request an extension within **14 days** of receipt of this request. Include a justification for your extension request. If timely submitted, EPA will consider your request and may extend the deadline.

To facilitate EPA's timely review of your response, EPA prefers that you submit responses to this Information Request via an electronic submission. For instructions on submitting your response electronically, refer to Instruction 8 in Enclosure 1. Please contact Brendan Whyte, at (206) 450-0014 or whyte.brendan@epa.gov if you have any questions regarding the electronic submission instructions. If electronic submission is not possible, contact Brendan Whyte for additional options. If you intend to claim all or a part of your response as confidential business information (see Instruction 7 in Enclosure 1), contact Brendan Whyte for submission instructions prior to submitting your response.

Please ensure the enclosed Statement of Certification is signed by a duly-authorized officer or agent of Cosmo Specialty Fibers and returned with the response to this Information Request.

Failure to timely respond fully and truthfully to this Information Request may subject you to civil penalties pursuant to Section 113 of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413. In addition, providing false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Your response to this Information Request may be used by EPA in administrative, civil, or criminal proceedings.

EPA's *Small Business Resources Information Sheet*, which provides information on compliance assistance that may be helpful to you is enclosed.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this Information Request or wish to request an extension, please contact Brendan Whyte, at (206) 450-0014 or whyte.brendan@epa.gov. For legal matters or questions from legal counsel, please contact Erin Tanimura, in the Office of Regional Counsel, at (206) 553-8630 or tanimura.erin@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Morgan Jencius, Chief
Air and Land Enforcement Branch

Enclosures

cc: Mr. James DeMay
Washington State Department of Ecology