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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

February 1, 2008

Re: **Director's Final Findings & Orders**  
The R.G. Smith Co., Inc.  
US EPA ID No.: OHR 000 042 242

Mr. Richard A. Nicely  
The R.G. Smith Co., Inc.  
1249 Dueber Avenue SW  
Canton, Ohio 44706

Dear Mr. Nicely:

Here are the Director's Final Findings and Orders (Orders) issued to The R.G. Smith Co., Inc., on February 1, 2008. These Orders are effective today.

I have also enclosed invoices for the penalty payments as required by Order No. 1.a. and 1.b. Please remember that your first payment is due no later than March 3, 2008.

If you have any questions concerning compliance with these Orders, do not hesitate to contact Natalie Oryshkewych at (330) 425-9171

Sincerely,

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

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**Attachments**

cc: Michael A. Savage, Chief, DHWM  
Harry Sarvis, Mgr., CAS, DHWM  
Todd Anderson, Legal  
Heidi Greismer, PIC  
Natalie Oryshkewych, Mgr., DHWM, NEDO

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**BEFORE THE  
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**In the Matter of:**

**The R.G. Smith Co., Inc.  
1249 Dueber Ave. SW  
Canton, Ohio 44706**

**Director's Final  
Findings and Orders**

**Respondent**



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.

**PREAMBLE**

It is agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

By:  Date: 2-1-08

**I. JURISDICTION**

These Director's Final Findings and Orders (Orders) are issued to The R.G. Smith Co., Inc. (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**

All of the findings necessary for the issuance of these Orders pursuant to ORC Sections 3734.13 and 3745.01 have been made and are outlined below. Nothing in the findings shall be considered to be an admission by Respondent of any matter of law or fact. The Director of Ohio EPA has determined the following findings:

1. Respondent operates a business located at 1249 Dueber Ave. SW, Canton, Stark County, Ohio (Facility). Respondent, a corporation for profit, was registered to do business in Ohio on January 4, 1988.
2. Respondent is a "person" as defined in ORC § 3734.01(G) and Ohio Administrative Code (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 large quantity generator of hazardous waste.
4. Respondent notified Ohio EPA of its hazardous waste activities and was issued generator identification number OHR000042242.
5. On April 7, 8, 14 and May 16, 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 this inspection, Ohio EPA determined that Respondent had, on September 16, 2002, transported or caused to be transported two containers of ignitable hazardous waste (D001) to Vexor. Vexor does not hold a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit issued in accordance with ORC Chapter 3734. The containers of waste were transported as non-hazardous waste and were accompanied by non-hazardous shipping papers.
6. Because Respondent failed to properly evaluate its waste to determine if it was hazardous and transported or caused to be transported the containers of hazardous waste to Vexor, a facility not operating under a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit issued in accordance with ORC Chapter 3734., the Director has determined that Respondent violated OAC rule 3745-52-11 and ORC § 3734.02(F).
7. Because the containers of hazardous waste were transported from Vexor to Hukill Chemical Corporation, a facility operating under a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit, the Director has determined that no further action is required of Respondent to abate the violations as referenced in Finding No. 6. 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. Respondent shall pay Ohio EPA the amount of \$4,400.00 in settlement of Ohio EPA's claims for civil penalties, which may be assessed pursuant to ORC Chapter 3734. and which shall be deposited into the hazardous waste cleanup fund established pursuant to ORC § 3734.28, in accordance with the following schedule:
  - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall pay to Ohio EPA the amount of \$2,200.00; and
  - b. Within 90 days after the effective date of these Orders, Respondent shall pay to Ohio EPA the amount of \$2,200.00.

Each of the payments above shall be made by an official check made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The official checks shall be submitted to Ohio EPA, Office of Fiscal Administration, Department L-2711, Columbus, Ohio 43260-2711, together with a letter identifying Respondent. A copy of the checks 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 checks 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**

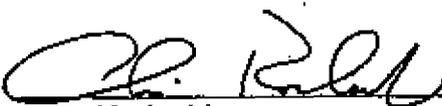
The effective date of these Orders is the date these Orders are entered into the Ohio EPA Director's journal.

**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:**

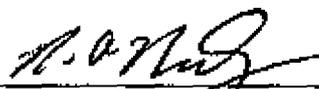
**Ohio Environmental Protection Agency**

  
Chris Korleski  
Director

FEB 01 2008  
Date

**IT IS SO AGREED:**

The R.G. Smith Co., Inc.

  
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Signature

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Date

Richard A. Bicaly  
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Printed or Typed Name

President  
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Title