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August 1, 2022

Thomas Mahoney, President Purecoat International, LLC 3301 Electronics Way West Palm Beach, FL 33407 tmahoney@purecoatnorth.com

Re: Purecoat International, LLC

Facility EPAID # FLD980839013

OGC Case #22-1686

Dear Mr. Mahoney:

Enclosed is the executed Consent Order to resolve the above referenced case. This copy is for your records. Please be mindful of all required deadlines within the Order to ensure compliance.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Tarin Tischler at 561-681-6680 or via e-mail at Tarin.Tischler@floridadep.gov.

Sincerely,

Jason Andreotta

Director, Southeast District

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Enclosure: Executed Short Form Consent Order

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VIA EMAIL: <u>TMahoney@PurecoatNorth.com</u>

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SUBJECT: Department of Environmental Protection vs Purecoat International, LLC

OGC File No.: 22-1686 Purecoat International, LLC EPA ID No.: FLD980839013

Palm Beach County

Mr. Mahoney,

This Consent Order ("Order") is entered into between the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") and Purecoat International, LLC ("Respondent") to reach settlement of certain matters at issue between the Department and Respondent.

The Department finds that the following violations occurred: failure to make a proper waste determination, failure to properly manage containers of hazardous waste, failure to properly label containers of hazardous waste, failure to comply with accumulation time limits for a Large Quantity Generator, failure to maintain its facility to minimize the risk of fire, explosion, or release of hazardous waste, failure to make arrangements with local authorities and failure to properly label containers of universal waste, in violation of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") Part 262.11, 262.15, 262.17, 273.14 and 273.15 and Chapter 62-730, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C.").

Before sending this letter, the Department requested that the Respondent undertake certain actions to resolve the violations. These actions have since been completed. However, due to the nature of the violations, the Respondent remains subject to civil penalties. The Respondent is also responsible for costs incurred by the Department during this investigation of this matter.

The Department's Offer

Based on the violations described above, the Department is seeking \$49,444.00 in civil penalties and \$500.00 for costs and expenses the Department has incurred in investigating this matter, which

amounts to a total of \$49,944.00. The civil penalty in this matter includes 3 violations of \$2,000.00 or more.

Respondent's Acceptance

If you wish to accept this offer and fully resolve the enforcement matter pending against the Respondent, please sign this letter and return it to the Department at FDEP Southeast District Office, 3301 Gun Club Road, MSC 7210-1, West Palm Beach, FL 33406 or via email at Tarin. Tischler@FloridaDEP.gov within twenty (20) calendar days of the mailing date of this Order. The Department will then countersign it and file it with a designated clerk of the Department. Once the document is filed with the designated clerk, it will constitute a final order of the Department pursuant to Section 120.52(7), F.S. and will be effective unless a request for an administrative hearing is filed by a third party in accordance with Chapter 120, F.S. and the attached Notice of Rights.

By accepting this offer you, Thomas Mahoney:

- (1) certify that you are authorized and empowered to negotiate, enter into, and accept the terms of this offer in the name and on behalf of Respondent;
- (2) acknowledge and waive Respondent's right to an administrative hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., on the terms of this offer, once final;
- (3) acknowledge and waive Respondent's right to an appeal pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S.; and
- (4) acknowledge that payment of the above amount does not constitute a waiver of the Department's right, if any, to recover emergency response related costs and expenses for this matter.

The Department acknowledges that the Respondent's acceptance of this offer does not constitute an admission of liability for the violations referenced above.

Respondent's Performance

After signing and returning this document to the Department,

(1) Respondent must pay \$49,944.00 in twelve monthly installments by July 10, 2023.

Payments are due as follows:

Payment Due Date	Payment Amount
August 10, 2022	\$4,162
September 10, 2022	\$4,162
October 10, 2022	\$4,162
November 10, 2022	\$4,162
December 10, 2022	\$4,162



January 10, 2023	\$4,162
February 10, 2023	\$4,162
March 10, 2023	\$4,162
April 10, 2023	\$4,162
May 10, 2023	\$4,162
June 10, 2023	\$4,162
July 10, 2023	\$4,162

Failure to timely make an installment payment will enable the Department, at its discretion, to accelerate the remaining balance to become immediately due.

(2) Respondent shall make all payments required by this Order by cashier's check, money order or on-line payment. Cashier's check or money order shall be made payable to the "Department of Environmental Protection" and shall include both the OGC number assigned to this Order and the notation "Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund." Online payments by e-check can be made by going to the DEP Business Portal at: http://www.fldepportal.com/go/pay/. It will take a number of days after this order is final, effective and filed with the Clerk of the Department before ability to make online payment is available.

The Department may enforce the terms of this document, <u>once final</u>, and seek to collect monies owed pursuant to Sections 120.69 and 403.121, F.S.

Until clerked by the Department, this letter is only a settlement offer and not a final agency action. Consequently, neither the Respondent nor any other party may request an administrative hearing to contest this letter pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S. Once this letter is clerked and becomes a final order of the Department, as explained above, the attached Notice of Rights will apply to parties, other than the Respondent, whose interests will be substantially affected.

Electronic signatures or other versions of the parties' signatures, such as .pdf or facsimile, shall be valid and have the same force and effect as originals. No modifications of the terms of this Order will be effective until reduced to writing, executed by both Respondent and the Department, and filed with the clerk of the Department.

Please be aware that if the Respondent declines to respond to the Department's offer, the Department will assume that the Respondent is not interested in resolving the matter and will proceed accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact Tarin Tischler at 561-681-6680, or at <u>Tarin.Tischler@floridadep.gov</u>.



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Sincerely,	
Jason Andreotta, Director Southeast District Office	
FOR THE RESPONDENT:	
I,	Thomas Mahoney, HEREBY ACCEPT THE
By: [Signature]	Date: 1-22-72
Title: Thomas J. [Type or Print]	mahore
FO	OR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY
DONE AND ORDERED	this Iday of August, 2022, in Orange County, Florida.
	STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
	Jason Andreotta Director Southeast District Office
Filed, on this date, pursuant to so of which is hereby acknowledge	ection 120.52, F.S., with the designated Department Clerk, receipted.
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Attachments:

Notice of Rights

Final clerked copy furnished to: Lea Crandall, Agency Clerk (lea.crandall@floridadep.gov)



NOTICE OF RIGHTS

Persons who are not parties to this Order, but whose substantial interests are affected by it, have a right to petition for an administrative hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition concerning this Order means that the Department's final action may be different from the position it has taken in the Order.

The petition for administrative hearing must contain all of the following information:

- a) The OGC Number assigned to this Order;
- b) The name, address, and telephone number of each petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding;
- c) An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the Order;
- d) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the Order;
- e) Either a statement of all material facts disputed by the petitioner or a statement that the petitioner does not dispute any material facts;
- f) A statement of the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the Order;
- g) A statement of the rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the Order; and
- h) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action petitioner wishes the Department to take with respect to the Order.

The petition must be filed (<u>received</u>) at the Department's Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS# 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or <u>received</u> via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@floridadep.gov, within <u>21 days</u> of receipt of this notice. A copy of the petition must also be mailed at the time of filing to the District Office at the address indicated above. Failure to file a petition within the 21-day period constitutes a person's waiver of the right to request an administrative hearing and to participate as a party to this proceeding under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Mediation under Section 120.573, Florida Statutes, is not available in this proceeding.

