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112(r)/Clean Air Act Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Pasco, Washington Frozen Food Facility Enter into Expedited Settlement Agreement

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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and CRF Frozen Foods Ltd. entered into a February 5th Expedited Settlement Agreement addressing alleged violations of regulations (40 C.F.R. Part 68) implementing Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act. See CAA-10-2018-0028.

CRF is described as an operator of a facility in Pasco, Washington.

Section 112(r) and its implementing regulations require an owner or operator of a stationary source that has more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance (as identified in § 68.130) in a process to develop a Risk Management Plan and Risk Management Program.

EPA representatives and an agency contractor are stated to have inspected the CRF facility on April 27, 2017. The inspection allegedly identified certain violations involving the following subject areas:

- 1. Hazardous Assessment
- 2. Process Safety Information
- 3. Operating Procedures
- 4. Compliance Audits

The ESA assesses a civil penalty of \$5,040.

A copy of the ESA can be found here.