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112(r)/Air Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Williamsport, Maryland, Grocery Store Owner Enter into Expedited Penalty Agreement

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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and Save-A-Lot Food Stores, Ltd. ("Save-A-Lot") entered into a November 2nd Expedited Penalty Action and Consent Agreement ("Consent Agreement") addressing alleged violations of the Section 112(r) regulations. See Docket No. CAA-03-2021-0011.

The Consent Agreement addresses a grocery store facility ("Facility") located in Williamsport, Maryland.

An authorized representative of EPA is stated to have conducted an inspection of the Facility on January 14th to determine compliance with the Risk Management Plans ("RMP") regulations promulgated at 40 C.F.R. Part 68 under Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act. EPA is stated to have determined that the Facility violated the 112(r) regulations as described in the following:

- Risk Management Program
- Inspection Findings
- Violation Sheets

These documents are attached to the Consent Agreement.

The inspection allegedly determined that the Facility:

- 1. Failed to install emergency stop switches, ventilation control switches, and audible/visual alarms outside of each entrance to the ammonia room
- 2. Failed to have ammonia roof pipe rack calculations and mechanical integrity inspections for open pipe insulation

Save-A-Lot neither admits nor denies the violations alleged in the Consent Agreement.

A penalty of \$1,440 is assessed.

A copy of the Consent Agreement can be downloaded here.