Air Enforcement: Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality and Greenwood Soybean Processing/Oil Extraction Facility Enter into Agreed Order



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The Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality ("MCEQ") and Oxbow Greenwood, LLC ("OG") entered into a July 3rd Agreed Order 9 ("AO") addressing alleged violations of an Air Permit. See Order No. 7520 25.

The AO provides that OG owns and operates a soybean processing and oil extraction facility in Greenwood, Mississippi.

MCEQ and OG are stated to have entered into Agreed Order 7245-23 on April 13, 2023. This Agreed Order authorized OG to operate all air emissions equipment contained in Air Construction Permits 1560-00050, issued on July 5, 2017, August 10, 2017, and September 17, 2020, and Title V Operating Permit 1560-0050 issued on September 24, 2015 ("Permits"). It is stated to have also authorized OG to operate one new surge bin and one new oil stripper at the facility following the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality's approval of an updated compliance plan, as required by and in accordance with 40 CFR 63.2851.

OG is stated to have been notified of alleged violations which were discovered during a September 26, 2024, compliance evaluation inspection, which include:

- Respondent failed to submit a semiannual monitoring report for the second half of calendar year 2023 by January 31, 2024.
- Respondent failed to submit an annual compliance certification for calendar year 2023 by January 31, 2024.
- Respondent failed to monitor and record the pressure drop across the surge bin baghouse emission control system during operation in June 2023.

OG is stated to have submitted the semiannual monitoring report for the second half of calendar year 2023 and the annual compliance certification for calendar year 2023 on September 27, 2024.

The AO assesses a civil penalty of $10,000.00.

A copy of the AO can be downloaded here.