112(r)/Air Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and City of Dallas, Oregon Wastewater Treatment Plant Enter into Expedited Settlement Agreement



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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and City of Dallas, Oregon entered into a July 25th Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") addressing an alleged violation of the Clean Air Act. See DOCKET NO. CAA-10-2025-0141.

The ESA provides that Dallas operates a wastewater treatment plant that has more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance (listed in Section 68.130) in a process to develop a Risk Management Plan ("RMP") and Risk Management Program.

The facility is stated to have more than a threshold quantity of chlorine. Chlorine is a regulated substance listed in 40 C.F.R. 68.130, in a covered process.

40 C.F.R. § 68.190(a) requires that an owner or operator review and update the RMP as specified at least once every five years from the date of its initial submission or most recent update, whichever is later.

The ESA provides that the Dallas wastewater treatment plant five-year update was due on June 10, 2024. The most recent RMP submission that EPA has on file is dated June 10, 2019. Therefore, the ESA alleges that there was a failure to submit an RMP to EPA at least once every five years.

Dallas neither admits nor denies the specific factual or legal allegations contained in the ESA.

A civil penalty of $800.00 is assessed.

A copy of the ESA can be downloaded here.