112(r)/Air Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Grangeville, Idaho Cooperative Enter into Expedited Settlement Agreement



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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and CHS, Inc. ("CHS") entered into an October 16th Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") addressing an alleged violation of the regulations implementing Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act. See Docket No. CAA-10-2024-0239.

The ESA provides that CHS owns or operates a facility in Grangeville, Idaho.

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

CHS' compliance audit is stated to have been due on March 29, 2020. The two most recent compliance audits on file are stated to be dated March 17, 2017 and November 14, 2022.

CHS is alleged to have failed to evaluate compliance of their Risk Management Program at least every three years as required by § 68.58(a).

CHS neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations in the ESA.

A civil penalty of $1,200.00 is assessed.

A copy of the ESA can be found here.