

STATE OF LOUISIANA

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

IN THE MATTER OF:

LNGP, LLC

AI # 100078

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LOUISIANA  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
LA. R.S. 30:2001, ET SEQ.

\* Settlement Tracking No.  
\* SA-AE-12-0073  
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\* Enforcement Tracking No.  
\* AE-PP-08-0275  
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SETTLEMENT

The following Settlement is hereby agreed to between LNGP, LLC (“Respondent”) and the Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ” or “the Department”), under authority granted by the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, La. R.S. 30:2001, et seq. (“the Act”).

I

Respondent is a limited liability company that owns and/or operates Antioch Gas Processing Plant located in Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana (“the Facility”).

II

On December 9, 2011, the Department issued to Respondent a Notice of Potential Penalty (NOPP), Enforcement No. AE-PP-08-0275, which was based upon the following findings of fact:

On or about April 26, 2011, a file review of the **ANTIOCH GAS PROCESSING PLANT (FACILITY)**, owned and/or operated by **LNGP, LLC (RESPONDENT)**, was performed to determine the degree of compliance with the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act (the Act) and the Air Quality Regulations. The facility is located at 132 Adolph Rd. in Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana. The facility currently operates under Minor Source Permit No. 0620-00066-04, issued on or about October 22, 2008. Previously, the facility operated under Minor Source Permit No. 0620-00066-03, which was issued on or about November 3, 2006.

The following violations were noted during the course of the file review:

- A. On or about May 1, 2008, the facility began the replacement of natural gas fired engines, E-3 (EQT007), and E-4 (EQT008). These engines were replaced by the natural gas fired engine, E-6. In order to address these changes, the facility submitted to the Department, on or about October 3, 2008, an application to modify Minor Source Permit No. 0620-00066-03. The Department issued Minor Source Permit No. 0620-00066-04 on or about October 22, 2008. This failure to submit a timely application prior to installation or construction of natural gas fired engine, E-6, is a violation of LAC 33:III.501.C.1, La R.S. 30:2057(A)(1), and 2057(A)(2).
  
- B. The facility began operating natural gas fired engine E-6 on or about June 9, 2008. The Department issued Minor Source Permit No. 0620-00066-04 on or about October 22, 2008, which included engine E-6. The operation of engine E-6 from on or about June 9, 2008 until on or about October 21, 2008, prior to obtaining a permit modification is a violation of LAC 33:III.501.C.2, La R.S. 30:2057(A)(1), and 2057(A)(2).

### III

Respondent denies it committed any violations or that it is liable for any fines, forfeitures and/or penalties.

### IV

Nonetheless, Respondent, without making any admission of liability under state or federal statute or regulation, agrees to pay, and the Department agrees to accept, a payment in the amount of ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,000.00), of which One Hundred Ninety-Seven and 30/100 Dollars (\$197.30) represents the Department's enforcement costs, in settlement of the claims set forth in this agreement. The total amount of money expended by Respondent on cash payments to the Department as described above, shall be considered a civil penalty for tax purposes, as required by La. R.S. 30:2050.7(E)(1).

### V

Respondent further agrees that the Department may consider the permit records(s), the Notice of Potential Penalty, and this Settlement for the purpose of determining compliance history in

connection with any future enforcement or permitting action by the Department against Respondent, and in any such action Respondent shall be estopped from objecting to the above-referenced documents being considered as proving the violations alleged herein for the sole purpose of determining Respondent's compliance history.

## VI

This agreement shall be considered a final order of the Secretary for all purposes, including, but not limited to, enforcement under La. R.S. 30:2025(G)(2), and Respondent hereby waives any right to administrative or judicial review of the terms of this agreement, except such review as may be required for interpretation of this agreement in any action by the Department to enforce this agreement.

## VII

This settlement is being made in the interest of settling the state's claims and avoiding for both parties the expense and effort involved in litigation or an adjudicatory hearing. In agreeing to the compromise and settlement, the Department considered the factors for issuing civil penalties set forth in La. R. S. 30:2025(E) of the Act.

## VIII

The Respondent has caused a public notice advertisement to be placed in the official journal of the parish governing authority in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana. The advertisement, in form, wording, and size approved by the Department, announced the availability of this settlement for public view and comment and the opportunity for a public hearing. Respondent has submitted an original proof-of-publication affidavit and an original public notice to the Department and, as of the date this Settlement is executed on behalf of the Department, more than forty-five (45) days have elapsed since publication of the notice.

IX

Payment is to be made within ten (10) days from notice of the Secretary's signature. If payment is not received within that time, this Agreement is voidable at the option of the Department. Payments are to be made by check, payable to the Department of Environmental Quality, and mailed or delivered to the attention of Accountant Administrator, Financial Services Division, Department of Environmental Quality, Post Office Box 4303, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70821-4303. Each payment shall be accompanied by a completed Settlement Payment Form (Exhibit A).

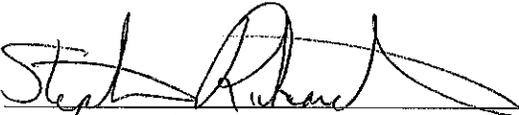
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In consideration of the above, any claims for penalties are hereby compromised and settled in accordance with the terms of this Settlement.

XI

Each undersigned representative of the parties certifies that he or she is fully authorized to execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of his or her respective party, and to legally bind such party to its terms and conditions.

LNGP, LLC

BY:   
(Signature)

Stephen Richardson  
(Printed)

TITLE: Operations Manager

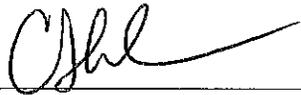
THUS DONE AND SIGNED in duplicate original before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014, at 8:55 am.



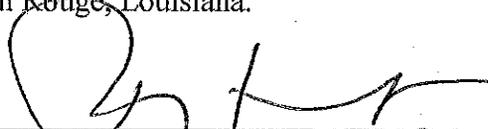
  
NOTARY PUBLIC (ID # 106279)

Janis G Blair  
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**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
Peggy M. Hatch, Secretary

BY:   
Cheryl Sonnier Nolan, Assistant Secretary  
Office of Environmental Compliance

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in duplicate original before me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC (ID # 19181)

Perry Theriot  
(stamped or printed)

Approved:   
Cheryl Sonnier Nolan, Assistant Secretary