BEFORE THE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of:

Coastline Industrial Coatings, Inc.

Respondent.

PHMSA Case No. 04-765-SD-SW DMS Docket No. PHMSA-2005-22851-3

DECISION ON APPEAL

On November 1, 2005, the Chief Counsel of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), issued an Order of the Chief Counsel¹ (Order) to Coastline Industrial Coatings, Inc. (Respondent) finding the company had knowingly committed six violations of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), 49 C.F.R. Parts 171-180. The Order, which is incorporated by reference, assessed a \$20,125 civil penalty.

In this appeal, Respondent seeks reversal of the finding of violation with regard to two of the violations and apparently seeks a reduction in the total assessed civil penalty. Respondent failed to file an appeal within twenty (20) days of its receipt of the Order.

PHMSA procedural regulations require a Respondent to file an appeal within twenty (20) days of its receipt of an order issued by the Chief Counsel. U.S. Postal Service records show Respondent received the Order on November 7, 2005. As clearly stated in the Order, filing of an appeal is effective on the date PHMSA receives the appeal. PHMSA received Respondent's appeal, dated November 28, 2005, on December 7, 2005.

¹ DMS Docket Number PHMSA-2005-22851-1 at http://dms.dot.gov.

Respondent's appeal is untimely and is therefore denied. This Order constitutes the final administrative action in this proceeding.

Thomas J. Barrett

Administrator

Date Issued:

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day of OCT 24, 2006, the Undersigned served in the following This is to certify that on the manner the designated copies of this Order with attached addendums to each party listed below:

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