## BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

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PHMSA CASE NUMBER
11-0075-CCT-SW

West Texas Agriplex, Inc.

(Respondent)

## FINAL ORDER

By this Order, I find that West Texas Agriplex, Inc. (Respondent) committed one (1) violation of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), 49 C.F.R. Parts 171-180, and I assess Respondent a \$5,950 civil penalty.

On February 4, 2013, the Office of Chief Counsel issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to Respondent proposing a \$5,950 civil penalty for one (1) violation of the HMR. On February 1, 2013, Respondent submitted a payment in the amount of \$5,950. By paying the full amount of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice, Respondent admitted the violation as alleged in the Notice (49 C.F.R. § 107.315). Therefore, I find Respondent committed the violation as set forth in the Notice.

This violation shall constitute a prior violation under 49 U.S.C. § 5123 in the event Respondent commits any future violation of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. § 5101 et seq., or the HMR.

By paying the proposed civil penalty, Respondent waived all rights to further respond to the Notice and to appeal this Order. Accordingly, PHMSA accepts Respondent's February 1, 2013, payment in full satisfaction of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice and PHMSA shall close this case with prejudice.

Dated:  $\frac{2}{1/20/3}$ 

Vanessa L. Allen Sutherland

Chief Counsel

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 12th day of February 2013 the undersigned served in the following manner the designated copies of this Order to each party listed below:

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President

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