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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Albemarle Corporation

(Respondent)

PHMSA CASE NUMBER 12-0121-SCD-SW

FINAL ORDER

By this Order, I find that Albemarle Corporation (Respondent) committed two (2) violations of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), 49 CFR Parts 171-180, and I assess Respondent a \$11,250 civil penalty.

On February 11, 2013, the Office of Chief Counsel issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to Respondent proposing an \$11,250 civil penalty for two (2) violations of the HMR. On March 12, 2013, Respondent submitted a payment in the amount of \$11,250. By paying the full amount of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice, Respondent admitted the violations as alleged in the Notice (49 CFR § 107.315). Therefore, I find Respondent committed the violations as set forth in the Notice.

These violations 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 March 12, 2013 payment in full satisfaction of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice and PHMSA shall close this case with prejudice.

Dated 03 /19/2013

nessa L. Allen Sutherland

Chief Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the <u>act</u> day of March 2013 the undersigned served in the following manner the designated copies of this Order to each party listed below:

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