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

IN THE MATTER OF:	
PIRA INTERNATIONAL	
(Respondent)	

PHMSA CASE NUMBER 11-0306-JBM-CE

FINAL ORDER

By this Order, I find that PIRA INTERNATIONAL (Respondent) committed three (3) violations of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), 49 C.F.R. Parts 171-180, and I assess Respondent a \$7,950 civil penalty.

On November 7, 2012, the Office of Chief Counsel issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to Respondent proposing a \$7,950 civil penalty for three (3) violations of the HMR. On December 4, 2012, Respondent submitted a payment in the amount of \$7,950. By paying the full amount of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice, Respondent admitted the violations as alleged in the Notice (49 C.F.R. § 107.315). Therefore, I find that 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 December 4, 2012 payment in full satisfaction of the civil penalty proposed in the Notice and PHMSA shall close this case with prejudice.

Dated: 12/18/2012

anessa L. Allen Sutherland

Chief Counsel

It is so Ordered.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICES

This is to certify that on the 19th day of December 2012 the undersigned served in the following manner the designated copies of this Order to each party listed below:

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