

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Agricultural commodities, Pesticides
and pests.

Dated: October 2, 2001.

Lois A. Rossi,

*Director, Special Review and Reregistration
Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

[FRL-7081-8 ; CWA-HQ-2001-6001;
EPCRA-HQ-2001-6001; CAA-HQ-2001-
6001]

**Clean Water Act Class II: Proposed
Administrative Settlement, Penalty
Assessment and Opportunity To
Comment Regarding WorldCom, Inc.;
Correction**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On June 8, 2001, EPA published in the **Federal Register**, (66 FR 30923) information concerning a proposed settlement with WorldCom, Inc. ("WorldCom") The purpose of this correction is to provide additional information about this settlement and to offer interested parties the opportunity to comment on all aspects of this consent agreement and proposed final order. EPA has entered into a consent agreement with WorldCom to resolve violations of the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), Clean Air Act ("CAA"), and Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act ("EPCRA") and their implementing regulations.

The Administrator, as required by CWA section 311(b)(6)(C), 33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(6)(C), is hereby providing public notice of, and an opportunity for interested persons to comment on, this consent agreement and proposed final order. EPA is also providing public notice of, and opportunity for interested parties to comment on, the CAA and EPCRA portions of this consent agreement.

WorldCom failed to prepare Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure ("SPCC") plans for seventy-five facilities where they stored diesel oil in above ground tanks. EPA, as authorized by CWA section 311(b)(6), 33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(6), has assessed a civil penalty for these violations. WorldCom failed to obtain the appropriate operating permits or exemptions at one hundred and six facilities in violation of CAA section 110, 42 U.S.C. 7410, and various state

implementation plan ("SIP") requirements for emergency generators. EPA, as authorized by CAA section 113(d)(1), 42 U.S.C. 7413(d)(1), has assessed a civil penalty for these violations. WorldCom failed to file an emergency planning notification with the State Emergency Response Commission ("SERC") and to provide the name of an emergency contact to the Local Emergency Planning Committee ("LEPC"). WorldCom failed to submit Material Safety Data Sheets ("MSDS") or a list of chemicals to the LEPC, the SERC, and the fire department with jurisdiction over each facility for three hundred and ninety-four facilities in violation of EPCRA section 311, 42 U.S.C. 11021. At the same facilities, WorldCom failed to submit and Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory form to the LEPC, the SERC, and the fire department with jurisdiction over each facility in violation of EPCRA section 312, 42 U.S.C. 11022. EPA, as authorized by EPCRA section 325, 42 U.S.C. 11045, has assessed a civil penalty for these violations.

DATES: Comments are due on or before November 13, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments to the Enforcement & Compliance Docket and Information Center (2201A), Docket Number EC-2001-005, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Mail Code 2201A, Washington, DC 20460. (Comments may be submitted on disk in WordPerfect 8.0 or earlier versions.) Written comments may be delivered in person to: Enforcement and Compliance Docket Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 4033, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Submit comments electronically to docket.oeca@epa.gov. Electronic comments may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

The consent agreement, the proposed final order, and public comments, if any, may be reviewed at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 4033, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Persons interested in reviewing these materials must make arrangements in advance by calling the docket clerk at 202-564-2614. A reasonable fee may be charged by EPA for copying docket materials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth Cavalier, Multimedia Enforcement Division (2248-A), U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460; telephone (202) 564-3271; fax: (202) 564-9001; e-mail: cavalier.beth@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Electronic Copies:* Electronic copies of this document are available from the EPA Home Page under the link "Laws and Regulations" at the **Federal Register**—Environmental Documents entry (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr>).

I. Background

WorldCom, Inc., a telecommunications company incorporated in the State of Georgia and located at 500 Clinton Center Drive, Clinton, Mississippi 39056, disclosed, pursuant to the EPA "Incentives for Self-Policing: Discovery, Disclosures, Correction and Prevention of Violations" ("Audit Policy"), 65 FR 19618 (April 11, 2000), that they failed to prepare SPCC plans for seventy-five facilities where they stored diesel oil in above ground storage tanks, in violation of the CWA section 311(b)(3) and 40 CFR Part 112. WorldCom disclosed that for one hundred and six facilities they had failed to obtain operating permits or exemptions in violation of CAA section 110, 42 U.S.C. 7410, and various SIP requirements for emergency generators. WorldCom disclosed that at three hundred and ninety-four facilities they had: (1) Failed to file emergency planning notifications with the SERC and failed to provide the name of an emergency contact to the LEPC, in violation of EPCRA sections 302-303, 42 U.S.C. 7413(a)(1); (2) failed to submit MSDS' or a list of chemicals to the LEPC, SERC, and the fire departments with jurisdiction over the facilities, in violation of EPCRA section 311, 42 U.S.C. 11021; and (3) failed to submit an Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory to the LEPC, SERC, and fire departments with jurisdiction over the facilities, in violation of EPCRA section 312, 42 U.S.C. 11022.

EPA determined that WorldCom met the criteria set out in the Audit Policy for a 100% waiver of the gravity component of the penalty. As a result, EPA waived the gravity based penalty (\$3,888,207) and proposed a settlement penalty amount of one hundred and forty-three thousand, five hundred and twenty dollars (\$143,520). This is the amount of the economic benefit gained by WorldCom, attributable to their delayed compliance with the SPCC, CAA and EPCRA regulations. WorldCom, Inc. has agreed to pay this amount. EPA and WorldCom negotiated and signed an administrative consent

agreement, following the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 CFR section 22.13(b), on June 1, 2001 (*In Re: WorldCom, Inc.*, Docket No. CWA-HQ-2001-6001). This consent agreement is subject to public notice and comment under CWA section 311(b)(6), 33 U.S.C. section 1321(b)(6). EPA is expanding this opportunity for public comment to all other aspects of this consent agreement.

Under CWA section 311(b)(6)(A), 33 U.S.C. 1321 (b)(6)(A), any owner, operator, or person in charge of a vessel, onshore facility, or offshore facility from which oil is discharged in violation of the CWA section 311 (b)(3), 33 U.S.C. 1321 (b)(3), or who fails or refuses to comply with any regulations that have been issued under CWA section 311(j), 33 U.S.C. 1321(j), may be assessed an administrative civil penalty of up to \$137,500 by EPA. Class II proceedings under CWA section 311(b)(6) are conducted in accordance with 40 CFR Part 22.

Under CAA section 113(d), the Administrator may issue an administrative order assessing a civil penalty against any person who has violated an applicable implementation plan or any other requirement of the Act, including any rule, order, waiver, permit or plan. Proceedings under CAA section 113(d) are conducted in accordance with 40 CFR Part 22.

Under EPCRA section 325, the Administrator may issue an administrative order assessing a civil penalty against any person who has violated applicable emergency planning or right to know requirements, or any other requirement of the Act. Proceedings under EPCRA section 325 are conducted in accordance with 40 CFR Part 22.

The procedures by which the public may comment on a proposed Class II penalty order, or participate in a Clean Water Act Class II penalty proceeding, are set forth in 40 CFR 22.45. The deadline for submitting public comment on this proposed final order is November 13, 2001. All comments will be transferred to the Environmental Appeals Board ("EAB") of EPA for consideration. The powers and duties of the EAB are outlined in 40 CFR 22.4(a).

Pursuant to CWA section 311(b)(6)(C), EPA will not issue an order in this proceeding prior to the close of the public comment period.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: October 3, 2001.

David A. Nielsen,

*Director, Multimedia Enforcement Division,
Office of Enforcement and Compliance
Assurance.*

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

SUNSHINE ACT MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 9, 2001, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's corporate activities.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Director Ellen S. Seidman (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), seconded by Director John M. Reich, and concurred in by Director John D. Hawke, Jr. (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Donald E. Powell, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters on less than seven days' notice to the public; that no earlier notice of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Dated: October 9, 2001.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

James D. LaPierre,

Deputy Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or

assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated.

The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than October 25, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *Lauderdale County Bancshares, Inc.*, Halls, Tennessee; to engage *de novo* through its subsidiary, Farmers Crop Insurance Agency, Halls, Tennessee, in insurance activities in a place not exceeding 5,000 in population, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(11)(iii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 5, 2001.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Office of Communications; Cancellation of an Optional Form by the Department of State

AGENCY: Office of Communications, GSA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State cancelled the following Optional Form because of low usage: OF 126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report.

DATES: Effective October 12, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles Cunningham, Department of State, (202) 312-9605.