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Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary

### CONSENT ORDER ISSUED UNDER THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT WEST VIRGINIA CODE CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 11

TO: Union Carbide Corporation Washington Street Building 1790 Midland, MI 48674 DATE: July 29, 2021

ORDER NO.: 9994

## **INTRODUCTION**

This Consent Order is issued by the Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management (hereinafter "Director"), under the authority of West Virginia Code 22-11-1 et seq. to Union Carbide Corporation (hereinafter "Union Carbide").

# FINDINGS OF FACT

In support of this Order, the Director hereby finds the following:

- 1. Union Carbide operates and maintains the closed former Filmont Landfill located in South Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia.
- 2. On October 28, 2020, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) personnel conducted an inspection of the outer perimeter of the facility. During the inspection, a violation of the following section of West Virginia State Code was observed and documented:
  - a. 22-11-8(b)(1) Union Carbide discharged industrial waste, or the effluent therefrom, into waters of the State without authorization pursuant to a valid WV/NPDES permit. Specifically, wastes were discharging directly and indirectly via seeps and pipes from the Filmont Landfill into Ward Branch.

As a result of this inspection, Notice of Violation (NOV) No. W20-20-100701-CEW was issued to Union Carbide. In response to the NOV, Union Carbide maintains that the 4820-4652-1844.1 Promoting a healthy environment.

violation is alleged, and Union Carbide does not admit to the factual and legal determinations made by the Director and reserves all rights and defenses available regarding liability or responsibility in any proceedings regarding Union Carbide other than proceedings, administrative or civil, to enforce this Order.

- 3. On November 30, 2020 Union Carbide provided a preliminary response to the NOV requesting additional time to evaluate the allegations and representing that the following actions were taken by Union Carbide:
  - a. On November 5, 2020 Union Carbide inspected the area of alleged pipe discharges and walked the entire perimeter to investigate the presence of any seeps.
  - b. On November 10, 2020 Union Carbide conducted camera inspection of the pipes, which confirmed that the pipes were not connected to any collection system. Union Carbide represented that the pipes appear to be landfill debris.
  - c. On November 12, 2020 Union Carbide monitored the pipes during a rain storm with no discharges observed from the pipe.
  - d. On November 25, 2020 Union Carbide installed inflatable pipe-plugs to prevent any potential discharges from the pipes identified in the NOV.
- 4. On December 8, 2020, Unilateral Order No. 9943 was issued to Union Carbide in response to the aforementioned violation.
- 5. On January 7, 2021, Union Carbide appealed Unilateral Order No. 9943 to the West Virginia Environmental Quality Board (EQB). A motion for a stay of the order was filed with the appeal.
- 6. On February 1, 2021, the EQB issued an Order granting the motion for a stay of certain terms and conditions of Order 9943. The Order allowed an additional thirty (30) day extension of the stay, provided that Union Carbide conducted sampling as required by the Order.
- 7. On February 2, 2021, the WVDEP Division of Land Restoration (DLR) received Union Carbide's application for entry into the Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP) for the aforementioned site. The application was assigned Project No. 21022.
- 8. On February 23, 2021, WVDEP and Union Carbide personnel conducted required sampling, as outlined in the EQB Order.
- 9. On March 25, 2021, WVDEP DLR proposed an extension of the timeframe for acting upon Union Carbide's VRP application until June 23, 2021. The extension was requested to provide time for resolving issues surrounding Order 9943 in such a way that the site would become eligible for participation in the VRP.
- 10. On April 8, 2021, the EQB issued an Order which provided a stay of Unilateral Order No. 9943 until the resolution of the appeal.
- 11. On April 26, 2021, WVDEP personnel and representatives of Union Carbide conducted a site visit. During the site visit, Union Carbide representatives stated that a full

investigation of the seep associated with the Filmont Landfill had not been completed, and the role of the adjacent highway property as a source had not been determined. WVDEP personnel observed and documented active flow during the site visit, and WVDEP maintains that the identified seeps originated from the Filmont Landfill and are discharging pollutants into waters of the State. Union Carbide maintains that the discharges are alleged, and Union Carbide does not admit to the factual and legal determinations made by the Director and reserves all rights and defenses available regarding liability or responsibility in any proceedings regarding Union Carbide other than proceedings, administrative or civil, to enforce this Order.

12. On June 16, 2021, WVDEP personnel received correspondence from Union Carbide, which represented that no discharge from Union Carbide property (seep) has been directly sampled during the timeframe documented herein.

## **ORDER FOR COMPLIANCE**

Now, therefore, in accordance with West Virginia State Code 22-11-1 et seq., it is hereby agreed between the parties, and ORDERED by the Director:

- 1. Union Carbide shall immediately take all measures to initiate compliance with all pertinent laws and rules.
- 2. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Order, should Union Carbide be accepted into the WVDEP Division of Land Restoration VRP, proper remediation of the aforementioned site shall be achieved in accordance with the requirements of West Virginia Code, Chapter 22, Article 22, Section 1 et seq., the Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Act, and WV Legislative Rule 60CSR3, the Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Rule, such that the site meets applicable standards, and a Certificate of Completion shall be requested from the WVDEP Secretary. Should Union Carbide be denied entry into the VRP, fail to adhere to the schedule established in the Voluntary Remediation Agreement or any subsequent modifications, withdraw from VRP enrollment, or otherwise fail to successfully complete the requirements of the VRP, Union Carbide shall be required to submit an approvable alternative remediation plan and schedule within sixty (60) days. The remediation plan and schedule shall include action items and completion dates for how and when Union Carbide will achieve compliance with all pertinent laws and rules.
- 3. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Order, Union Carbide shall sample the seep originally identified in the aforementioned NOV (No. W20-20-100701-CEW) and the seep identified in the northern drainage ditch. Sample analyses shall include all parameters listed in Appendix C of WV Legislative Rule 47CSR10 (attached).
- 4. Within thirty (30) days of receiving the sample results described in Order for Compliance Item No. Three (3), Union Carbide shall submit all sample results to WVDEP for review. Should the WVDEP determine that the sample results reflect that any pollutants are present in either seep, Union Carbide shall submit an approvable plan and schedule with

detailed provisions for either applying for a WV/NPDES permit or ceasing the discharge within thirty (30) days of notification by WVDEP.

- 5. Upon the effective date of this Order, Union Carbide will withdraw the appeal of Unilateral Order No. 9943.
- 6. Upon its effective date, this Order will supersede Unilateral Order No. 9943.
- 7. Upon approval by WVDEP, any plan required by this Order shall be incorporated into and become part of this Order, as if fully set forth herein. Failure to submit any approvable plan required by this Order or failure to adhere to any approved plan is a violation of this Order.

All documents required by this Order shall make reference to Order No. 9994 and shall be submitted to:

## Chief Inspector Environmental Enforcement - Mail Code #031328 WVDEP 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street SE Charleston, WV 25304

## **OTHER PROVISIONS**

- 1. Union Carbide hereby waives its right to appeal this Order under the provisions of West Virginia State Code 22-11-21. Under this Order, Union Carbide agrees to take all actions required by the terms and conditions of this Order and consents to and will not contest the Director's jurisdiction regarding this Order. However, Union Carbide does not admit to any factual and legal determinations made by the Director and reserves all rights and defenses available regarding liability or responsibility in any proceedings regarding Union Carbide other than proceedings, administrative or civil, to enforce this Order.
- 2. The Director reserves the right to take further action if compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order does not adequately address the violations noted herein and reserves all rights and defenses which he may have pursuant to any legal authority, as well as the right to raise, as a basis for supporting such legal authority or defenses, facts other than those contained in the Findings of Fact.
- 3. If any event occurs which causes delay in the achievement of the requirements of this Order, Union Carbide shall have the burden of proving that the delay was caused by circumstances beyond its reasonable control which could not have been overcome by due diligence (i.e., force majeure). Force majeure shall not include delays caused or contributed to by the lack of sufficient funding. Within three (3) working days after Union Carbide becomes aware of such a delay, notification shall be provided to the Director/Chief Inspector and Union Carbide shall, within ten (10) working days of initial notification, submit a detailed written explanation of the anticipated length and cause of the delay, the measures taken and/or to be taken to prevent or minimize the delay, and a

timetable by which Union Carbide intends to implement these measures. If the Director agrees that the delay has been or will be caused by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Union Carbide (i.e., force majeure), the time for performance hereunder shall be extended for a period of time equal to the delay resulting from such circumstances. A force majeure amendment granted by the Director shall be considered a binding extension of this Order and of the requirements herein. The determination of the Director shall be final and not subject to appeal.

- 4. Compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order shall not in any way be construed as relieving Union Carbide of the obligation to comply with any applicable law, permit, other order, or any other requirement otherwise applicable. Violations of the terms and conditions of this Order may subject Union Carbide to additional penalties and injunctive relief in accordance with the applicable law.
- The provisions of this Order are severable and should a court or board of competent jurisdiction declare any provisions to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- 6. This Order is binding on Union Carbide, its successors and assigns.
- 7. This Order shall terminate upon Union Carbide's notification of full compliance with the "Order for compliance" and verification of this notification by WVDEP.

James Sprague Union Carbide Corp

<u>8/03/202</u>1 Date

Public Notice begin:

Date

Public Notice end:

Date

Katheryn Emery, P.E., Acting Director Division of Water and Waste Management

Date

## Appendix C -- Permit Testing Requirements

# Table I -- Testing Requirements for Organic Pollutants by Industrial Category for Existing Dischargers

GC/MS fraction 1

	Volatile	Acid	Base/ neutral	Pesticide
Adhesives and Sealants	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Aluminum Forming	(*)	(*)	(*)	•••••
Auto and Other Laundries	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Battery Manufacturing	(*)		(*)	
Coil Coating	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Copper Forming	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Electric & Electronic Components	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electroplating	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Explosives Manufacturing		(*)	(*)	
Foundries	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Gun and Wood Chemicals	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Inorganic Chemicals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Iron & Steel Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Leather Tanning and Finishing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mechanical Products Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Nonferrous Metals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Ore Mining	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Organic Chemicals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Paint and Ink Formulation	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pesticides	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Petroleum Refining	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pharmaceutical Preparations	(*)	(*)	(*)	•••••
Photographic Equipment & Supplies	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Plastic and Synthetic Materials				
Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Plastic Processing	(*)			
Porcelain Enameling	(*)		(*)	(*)
Printing and Publishing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pulp and Paper Mills	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Rubber Processing	(*)	(*)	(*)	
Soap and Detergent Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	••••
Steam Electric Power Plants	(*)	(*)	(*)	•••••
Textile Mills	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Timber Products Process Processing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

1 The toxic pollutants in each fraction are listed in Table II

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\* Testing required.

## **Appendix C - Continued**

# Table II -- Organic Toxic Pollutants in Each of Four Fractions in Analysis by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectroscopy (GS/MS)

### Volatiles

1 <b>V</b>	acrolein
2V	acrylonitrile
3V	benzene
5V	bromoform
6V	carbon tetrachloride
7V	chlorobenzene
8V	chlorodibromomethane
9V	chloroethane
10V	2-chloroethylvinyl ether
11V	chloroform
12V	dichlorobromomethane
14V	1,1-dichloroethane
15V	1,2-dichloroethane
16V	1,1-dichlorethylene
17V	1,2-dichloropropane
1 <b>8V</b>	1,2-dichloropropylene
19V	ethylbenzene
20V	methyl bromide
21V	methyl chloride
22V	methylene chloride
23V	1,2,2,2-tetrachloroethane
24V	tetrachloroethylene
25V	toluene
26V	1,2-trans-dichloroethylene
27V	1,1,1-trichloroethane
28V	1,1,2-trichloroethane
29V	trichloroethylene
31V	vinyl chloride

## **Acid Compounds**

- 1A 2-chlorophenol
- 2A 2,4-dichlorophenol
- 3A 2,4-dimethylphenol
- 4A 4,6-dinitro-o-cresol
- 5A 2,4-dinitrophenol
- 6A 2-nitrophenol
- 7A 4-nitrophenol
- 8A p-cloro-m-cresol
- 9A pentachlorophenol
- 10A phenol
- 11A 2,4,6-trichlorophenol

# **Appendix C - Continued**

## **Base/Neutral**

1B	acenaphthene
2B	acenaphthylene
3B	anthracene
4B	benzidine
5B	benzo(a)anthracene
6B	benzo(a)pyrene
7B	3,4-benzofluoranthene
8B	benzo(ghi)perylene
9B	benzo(K)fluoranthene
10B	bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane
11B	bis(2-chloroethyl)ether
12B	bis(2-chloroisopropyl)ether
13B	bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate
13B 14B	4-bromophenyl phenyl ether
15B	butylbenzyl phthalate
16B	2-chloronaphthalene
17B	4-chlorophenyl phenyl ether
18B	chrysene
19B	dibenzo(a,h)anthracene
20B	1,2-dichlorobenzene
21B	1,3-dichlorobenzene
22B	1,4-dichlorobenzene
23B	3,3'-dichlorobenzidine
24B	diethyl phthalate
25B	dimethyl phthalate
26B	di-n-butyl phthalate
27B	2,4-dinitrotoluene
28B	2,6-dinitrotoluene
29B	di-n-octyl phthalate
30B	1,2-diphenylhydrazine (as azobenzene)
31B	fluoranthene
32B	fluorene
33B	hexachlorobenzene
34B	hexachlorobutadiene
35B	hexachlorocyclopentadiene
36B	hexachloroethane
37B	indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene
38B	isophorone
39B	naphthalene
40B	nitrobenzene
41B	N-nitrosodimethylamine
42B	N-nitrosodi-n-propylamine
43B	N-nitrosodiphenylamine
44 <b>B</b>	phenanthrene
45B	pyrene
46B	1,2,4-trichlorobenzene

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## **Appendix C - Continued**

#### Pesticides

aldrin
alpha-BHC
beta-BHC
gamma-BHC
delta-BHC
clordane
4,4'-DDT
4,4'-DDE
4,4'-DDD
dieldrin
alpha-endosulfan
beta-endosulfan
endosulfan sulfate
endrin
endrin aldehyde
heptachlor
heptachlor epoxide
PCB-1242
PCB-1254
PCB-1221
PCB-1232
PCB-1248
PCB-1260
PCB-1016
toxaphene

# Table III -- Other Toxic Pollutants: Metals, Cyanide, and Total Phenols

Antimony, Total Arsenic, Total Beryllium, Total Cadmium, Total Chromium, Total Copper, Total Lead, Total Mercury, Total Nickel, Total Selenium, Total Silver, Total Thallium, Total Zinc, Total Cyanide, Total Phenols, Total

#### **Appendix C - Continued**

### Table IV -- Conventional and Nonconventional Pollutants required to be Tested by Existing Dischargers If Expected to be Present

Bromide Chloride Chlorine, Total Residual Color Fecal Coliform Fluoride Nitrate-Nitrite Nitrogen, Total Organic Oil and Grease Phosphorus, Total Radioactivity Sulfate Sulfide Sulfite Surfactants Aluminum, Total Barium, Total Boron, Total Cobalt, Total Iron, Total Magnesium, Total Molybdenum, Total Manganese, Total Tin, Total Titanium, Total

# Table V – Toxic Pollutants and Hazardous Substances Required to be Identified byExisting Dischargers if Expected to be Present

#### **Toxic Pollutants**

Asbestos

#### **Hazardous Substances**

Acetaldehyde Allyl alcohol Allyl chloride Amyl acetate Aniline Benzonitrile Benzyl chloride Butyl acetate Butylamine Captan

#### **Appendix C - Continued**

Carbaryl Carbofuran Carbon disulfide Chlorpyrifos Coumaphos Cresol Crotonaldehyde Cyclohexane Strychnine Cyclohexane 2,4-D(2,4-Dichlorophenoxy acetic acid) Diazinon Dicamba Dichlobenil Dichlone 2,2-Dichloropropionic acid Dichlorvos Diethyl amine Dimethyl amine Dinitrobenzene Diquat Disulfoton Diuron Epichlorohydrin Ethanolamine Ethion Ethylene diamine Ethylene dibromide Formaldehyde

Furfural Guthion Isoprene Isopropanolamine Kelthane Kepone Malathion Mercaptodimethur Methoxychlor Methyl mercaptan Methyl methacrylate Methyl parathion Mevinphos Mexacarbate Monoethyl amine Monomethyl amine Naled Napthenic acid Nitrotoluene Parathion Phenolsulfanate Phosgene Propargite Propylene oxide Pyrethrines Quinoline Resorcinol Strontium