1	IN THE MATTER OF:)
2) U.S. EPA Regions 4, 5, 2
3	Velsicol Chemical Corp.)
4	True Specialty Corp.) Region 4 Docket No. CERCLA-04-2005-3770
5	10400 W. Higgins Rd.) Region 5 Docket No. V-W-05-C-814
6	Suite 600) Region 2 Docket No. CERCLA-02-2005-2016
7	Rosemont, IL 60018-3713)
8) CONSENT AGREEMENT
9	Respondents.	

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9601, et seq., the authority of the Attorney General of the United States to compromise and settle claims of the United States, and the authority of the Attorneys General of the States of Michigan, New Jersey, Tennessee, and Illinois ("States") to compromise and settle claims of the States. This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the United States on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of the Interior, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the States of Michigan, New Jersey, Tennessee, and Illinois, Velsicol Chemical Corporation, True Specialty Corporation, and the Successor Liquidation Trust by and through LePetomane II, Inc., not individually but solely as Successor Liquidation Trustee in In re Fruit of the Loom, Inc. (the "Trust"). Settling Respondents True Specialty Corporation and Velsicol Chemical Corporation (collectively "Velsicol") consent to and will not contest the authority of the United States and the States to enter into this Agreement or to implement or enforce its terms.

On August 9, 2002, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware

approved a Settlement Agreement ("Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement") in <u>In re Fruit of the</u>

Loom, Inc., No. 99-4497 (Bankr. D. Del.), between the United States on behalf of the

3 Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of the Interior, the National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the States of

Michigan, New Jersey, Tennessee, and Illinois (the "Governmental Parties"), Debtors Fruit of the

Loom, Inc. and NWI Land Management, Inc., and Respondents Velsicol Chemical Corporation

and True Specialty Corporation ("Velsicol").

Under the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement, the Custodial Trust was created, <u>inter alia</u>, to own certain contaminated properties referred to as the Seven Properties. The Trust was created, <u>inter alia</u>, as a mechanism to recover certain insurance funds and other monies that would be transferred to the Custodial Trust for funding of response action, response costs, and natural resource damages for the Seven Facilities, as provided in the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement.

Paragraph 14(c)(i) of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement provided for a covenant not to sue Velsicol by the Governmental Parties (other than for the purpose of insurance recovery) as provided therein. Paragraph 15 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement provided for an additional payment by Velsicol in the event that the Trust had not received funding by December 31, 2004 as provided in the Agreement. Paragraph 15 also provided that Velsicol could request that the Governmental Parties enter into an ability to pay settlement with respect to the required additional payment under Paragraph 15.

On August 28, 2002, EPA Region 4 and Velsicol entered into an Agreement and

1 Settlement for Recovery of Response Costs, EPA Docket No. 00-51-C (the "EPA Region 4

2 Agreement"). Section IV of the EPA Region 4 Agreement (Reimbursement of Response Costs)

provided for the payment of \$650,000 from the Velsicol Environmental Trust Fund to EPA

Region 4, which payment was received on or about August 4, 2004. Paragraph 15 of the EPA

Region 4 Agreement also required Velsicol to make additional payments totaling \$1,377,935.27

on January 2, 2005, plus accrued interest. Notwithstanding the above, the EPA Region 4

Agreement provided that Velsicol could request that EPA enter into an ability to pay settlement

with respect to such payments.

Velsicol has requested that the Governmental Parties enter into this Agreement in order to resolve, based on ability to pay, any further liability that Velsicol might have under Paragraph 15 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement and Paragraph 15 of the EPA Region 4 Agreement, subject to the requirements and conditions of this Agreement.

WHEREFORE, the Parties hereto stipulate and agree as follows:

1. Velsicol shall pay \$1,454,000 to the Trust. Velsicol shall make, or cause to be made, this payment by no later than the completion of the closing of the sale of the stock of True Specialty Corporation, provided, however, that this payment shall be made in no event later than July 1, 2005. There shall be no other contingencies for the making of the \$1,454,000 payment. In the event that this payment is not received in full by July 1, 2005, the provisions of Paragraph 15 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement and Paragraph 15 of the EPA Region 4 Agreement shall be fully effective and this Agreement shall be null and void. Payment to the Trust shall be made by electronic wire transfer in accordance with instructions to be provided by the Trust.

- 1 2. The Trust shall distribute the \$1,454,000 to its Trust Accounts as follows:
- 2 \$421,660 to the Ventron/Velsicol/Berry's Creek Facility Account; \$421,660 to the Hardeman
- Facility Account, \$305,340 to the St. Louis Facility Account; \$101,780 to the Breckenridge
- 4 Facility Account; \$72,700 to the Hollywood Dump Facility Account; \$43,620 to the Residue Hill
- Facility Account; \$14,540 to the Marshall Facility Account; and \$72,700 to the Administrative
- 6 Account. The Trust shall then use the funding in each Trust Account as provided in the
- 7 Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement for such respective Trust Account.

3. Upon receipt by the Trust of the payment required by Paragraph 1 of this
Agreement by no later than July 1, 2005, the Governmental Parties unconditionally agree that any
liability of Velsicol under Paragraph 15 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement, which
paragraph requires Velsicol to make supplemental payments to the Trust Accounts to the extent
that they do not receive \$30 million from certain funding, and Paragraph 15 of the EPA Region 4
Agreement, which requires Velsicol to make additional payments totaling \$1,377,935.27, plus
accrued interest, is waived and the Governmental Parties agree not to assert any claim or seek
any recovery against Velsicol or its successors under those paragraphs. Upon receipt by the Trust
of the payment required by Paragraph 10f this Agreement by no later than July 1, 2005, all
Parties agree that all provisions of Paragraph 15 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement and
Paragraph 15 of the EPA Region 4 Agreement are unconditionally waived. These waivers of
rights shall not be construed to waive and/or otherwise modify or affect any other provision of
the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement. In the event that the payment required by Paragraph 1 of
this Agreement is not received in full by July 1, 2005, all of the provisions of Paragraph 15 of the

Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement and Paragraph 15 of the EPA Region 4 Agreement shall be fully effective and this Agreement shall be null and void.

- 4. Upon making the payment required by Paragraph 1 of this Agreement, Velsicol agrees that it and its successors shall not be entitled to and unconditionally waive any right to any recoveries at any time under the provisions of Paragraph 15, regardless of the amount of any recoveries from the Illinois Insurance Litigation proceeds or the Velsicol Preferred Shares. This waiver of any right to recoveries shall not be construed to waive and/or otherwise modify or affect any other provision of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to Paragraph 6 thereof.
- 5. Except as specifically set forth in this Consent Agreement, all provisions of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to Paragraphs 5-8 of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement, and the EPA Region 4 Agreement are not affected by this Agreement and shall continue in full force and effect.
- 6. Except as otherwise defined herein, all terms of this Agreement shall have the same meaning as provided in the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement.
- 7. This Agreement applies to, is binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of all legal successors and assigns of Velsicol and the Trust.
- 8. By signing this Agreement, Settling Respondents certify that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, they have conducted a thorough, comprehensive, good faith search for documents or information, and have fully and accurately disclosed to the United States and the State of New Jersey all documents or information currently in their possession, or in the

possession of their officers, directors, employees, contractors or agents, which is material to

Settling Respondents' financial circumstances, and have submitted to the United States and the

State of New Jersey financial information that fairly, accurately, and materially sets forth their

financial circumstances for the purpose of evaluating their ability to pay.

- 9. The Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources

 Division approves this Agreement pursuant to the inherent authority of the Attorney General to settle claims of the United States as delegated and as subject to a public comment period described in Paragraph 10 of this Agreement. The Attorney Generals of the States approve this Agreement pursuant to the inherent authority of the Attorney Generals to settle claims of the States.
- 10. This Agreement shall be subject to a public comment period, after which the United States, after consultation with the States, may modify or withdraw its consent to this Agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that this Agreement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate. Settling Respondents consent to this Agreement upon approval by the United States. In the event that the United States withdraws its consent to this Agreement, this Agreement shall be null and void and have no effect and the parties shall not be bound hereunder and all provisions of the Bankruptcy Settlement Agreement and the EPA Region 4 Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
 - 11. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts.
- 12. This Agreement may be modified only by a written agreement of the parties, except that the United States may agree in writing to extend the July 1, 2005 deadline until a date

no later than October 1, 2005, after consultation with the other Governmental Parties.

<u>IN THE MATTER OF</u>: Velsicol Chemical Corporation Docket No.

LAWRENCE M. HARTMAN

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and

Treasurer

The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry.

For Respondents Velsicol Chemical Corporation and True Specialty Corporation:

True Specialty Corporation	
Cother R Sigel	Date 2005
ARTHUR R. SIGEL	Date /
President and	
Chief Executive Officer	
LAWRENCE M. HARTMAN Executive Vice President,	APRIL 5, 2005 Date
Chief Financial Officer, and	
Treasurer	
Velsical Chemical Corporation	Date 5, 2005
ARTHUR R. SIGEL	Date
President and	
Chief Executive Officer	
Furrence M. Hartun	APAIL 5, 2005

Date

IN THE MATTER OF: Velsicol Chemical Corp. 1 2 Docket No. The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry. 3 For the United States of America 4 4/13/05 Date 5 KELLY A. JOHNSON 6 Acting Assistant Attorney General 7 Environment and Natural Resources 8 9 Division U.S. Department of Justice 10 Washington, D.C. 11 12 13 ALAN S. TENENBAUM 14 Senior Attorney **Environmental Enforcement Section**

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- For the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 4

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Director, Waste Management Division United States Environmental Protection Agency 8

9 Region 4

- IN THE MATTER OF: Velsicol Chemical Corp.
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- For the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 4

7 Director, Superfund Division

United States Environmental Protection Agency 8

9 Region 5

- 1 <u>IN THE MATTER OF</u>: Velsicol Chemical Corp.
- 2 Docket No. CERCLA-02-2005-2016
- 3 The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry.
- 4 For the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 2

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6 WILLIAM MCCABE

7 Acting Director, Emergency and Remedial

8 Response Division

9 United States Environmental Protection Agency

Region 2

IN THE MATTER OF: Velsicol Chemical Corp. 1 2 Docket No. The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry. 3 For the State of Illinois 4 PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, ex rel. 5 LISA MADIGAN, Attorney General 6 of the State of Illinois, 7 MATTHEW J. DUNN, Chief 8 Environmental Enforcement/Asbestos 9 Litigation Division 10 4/08/05 11 Date THOMAS DAVIS, Chief

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Environmental Bureau Assistant Attorney General

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- 3 The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry.
- 4 For the State of Michigan
- 5 MICHAEL A. COX
- 6 Attorney General
- 7 State of Michigan

9 JAMES L. STROPKAI

10 Assistant Attorney General Natural Resources and

12 Environmental Quality Division

4/22/05

Date

- IN THE MATTER OF: Velsicol Chemical Corp.
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 The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry.
 For the State of New Jersey
 Peter C. Harvey
 Attorney General of New Jersey
 War Olawsh All May 10, 2005
- JOAN OLAWSKI-STIENER
 Deputy Attorney General
 Attorney for New Jersey
- Department of EnvironmentalProtection

- 1 <u>IN THE MATTER OF</u>: Velsicol Chemical Corp.
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- 4 For the State of Tennessee
- 5 Paul G. Summers
- 6 Attorney General of Tennessee

7 Lizchel Our 8 ELIZABETH P. McCARTER

9 Senior Counsel

10 Environmental Division

11 Office of the Attorney General

4-7-05

Date

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The foregoing Consent Agreement is Hereby Stipulated, Agreed, and Approved for Entry.

For the Successor Liquidation Trust by and through LePetomane II, Inc., not individually but solely as Successor Liquidation Trustee in <u>In re Fruit of the Loom, Inc.</u>

The Successor Liquidation Trust, by and through LePetomane II, Inc., not individually but solely in the representative capacity of Successor Liquidation Trustee

JAYA. STEINBERG,

not individually but Solely in

the representative capacity of

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