STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

In the Matter of:

Custom Alloy Scrap Sales, Inc. 2730 Peralta Street Oakland, California 94607

CONSENT ORDER

Docket HWCA 20187400

ID No. (CAL000027883)

Respondent.

Health and Safety Code Section 25187

The State Department of Toxic Substances Control (Department) and Custom Alloy Scrap Sales, Inc., (Respondent), enter into this Consent Order and agree as follows:

- 1. Respondent generates and handles hazardous waste at its facility, which has operations in the vicinity of 2730 Peralta Street, Oakland, California 94607.
 - 2. The Department inspected the facility on January 30, 2017.
 - 3. The Department alleges the following violations:
- 3.1. Respondent violated Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 25211.2(d) in that the Respondent accepted major appliances pursuant to HSC section 25211.2(b)(2)(B), but failed to provide monthly reports to the Department and the local Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA).
- 3.2. Respondent violated HSC section 25212(a) in that the Respondent failed to remove materials requiring special handling (MRSH) from a major

appliance prior to the appliance being processed in a manner that could result in the release of or prevent the removal of MRSH.

- 4. A dispute exists regarding the alleged violations.
- 5. The parties wish to avoid the expense of litigation and to ensure prompt compliance.
 - 6. Jurisdiction exists pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25187.
 - 7. Respondent waives any right to a hearing in this matter.
- 8. This Consent Order shall constitute full settlement of the violations alleged above, but does not limit the Department from taking appropriate enforcement action concerning other violations.

SCHEDULE FOR COMPLIANCE

- 9. Respondent shall comply with the following:
- 9.1.1. The Respondent shall provide monthly reports to the Department and the local CUPA if it accepts appliances pursuant to HSC section 25211.2(b)(2)(B).
- 9.1.2. The Respondent shall ensure all MRSH is removed from major appliances prior the appliances being crushed, baled, shredded, sawed or sheared apart, disposed of, or otherwise processed in a manner that could result in the release or prevent the removal of MRSH.
- 9.2. <u>Compliance with Applicable Laws</u>: Respondent shall carry out this Order in compliance with all local, State, and federal requirements, including but not limited to requirements to obtain permits and to assure worker safety.
- 9.3. Endangerment during Implementation: In the event that the Department determines that any circumstances or activity (whether or not pursued

in compliance with this Consent Order) are creating an imminent or substantial endangerment to the health or welfare of people on the site or in the surrounding area or to the environment, the Department may order Respondent to stop further implementation for such period of time as needed to abate the endangerment. Any deadline in this Consent Order directly affected by a Stop Work Order under this section shall be extended for the term of such Stop Work Order.

- 9.4. <u>Liability</u>: Nothing in this Consent Order shall constitute or be construed as a satisfaction or release from liability for any conditions or claims arising as a result of past, current, or future operations of Respondent, except as provided in this Consent Order. Notwithstanding compliance with the terms of this Consent Order, Respondent may be required to take further actions as are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment.
- 9.5. Site Access: Access to the Site shall be provided at all reasonable times to employees, contractors, and consultants of the Department, and any agency having jurisdiction. Nothing in this Consent Order is intended to limit in any way the right of entry or inspection that any agency may otherwise have by operation of any law. The Department and its authorized representatives may enter and move freely about all property at the Site at all reasonable times for purposes including but not limited to: inspecting records, operating logs, and contracts relating to the Site; reviewing the progress of Respondent in carrying out the terms of this Consent Order; and conducting such tests as the Department may deem necessary. Respondent shall permit such persons to inspect and copy all

records, documents, and other writings, including all sampling and monitoring data, in any way pertaining to work undertaken pursuant to this Consent Order.

- 9.6. Sampling, Data, and Document Availability: Respondent shall permit the Department and its authorized representatives to inspect and copy all sampling, testing, monitoring, and other data generated by Respondent or on Respondent's behalf in any way pertaining to work undertaken pursuant to this Consent Order. Respondent shall allow the Department and its authorized representatives to take duplicates of any samples collected by Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order. Respondent shall maintain a central depository of the data, reports, and other documents prepared pursuant to this Consent Order. All such data, reports, and other documents shall be preserved by Respondent for a minimum of six years after the conclusion of all activities under this Consent Order. If the Department requests that some or all of these documents be preserved for a longer period of time, Respondent shall either comply with that request, deliver the documents to the Department, or permit the Department to copy the documents prior to destruction. Respondent shall notify the Department in writing at least six months prior to destroying any documents prepared pursuant to this Consent Order.
- 9.7. <u>Government Liabilities</u>: The State of California shall not be liable for injuries or damages to persons or property resulting from acts or omissions by Respondent or related parties specified in paragraph 12.3, in carrying out activities pursuant to this Consent Order, nor shall the State of California be held as a party

to any contract entered into by Respondent or its agents in carrying out activities pursuant to this Consent Order.

- 9.8. Extension Requests: If Respondent is unable to perform any activity or submit any document within the time required under this Consent Order, the Respondent may, prior to expiration of the time, request an extension of time in writing. The extension request shall include a justification for the delay.
- 9.9. Extension Approvals: If the Department determines that good cause exists for an extension, it will grant the request and specify in writing a new compliance schedule.

PAYMENTS

10. Within 30 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall pay the Department a penalty of \$14,000.00. Respondent's check shall be made payable to Department of Toxic Substances Control, and shall be delivered together with the attached Payment Voucher to:

Department of Toxic Substances Control Accounting Office 1001 I Street, 21st floor P. O. Box 806 Sacramento, California 95812-0806

A photocopy of the check shall be sent:

To: Justin Knorr
Cal Center Office
Office of Criminal Investigations
Department of Toxic Substances Control
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, California 95826

To: Jose (Jay) Cross
Office of Legal Counsel
Department of Toxic Substances Control
1001 | Street, 23rd floor
P. O. Box 806
Sacramento, California 95812-0806

If Respondent fails to make payment as provided above, Respondent agrees to pay interest at the rate established pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25360.1 and to pay all costs incurred by the Department in pursuing collection including attorney's fees.

OTHER PROVISIONS

- 11.1. <u>Additional Enforcement Actions</u>: By agreeing to this Consent Order, the Department does not waive the right to take further enforcement actions, except to the extent provided in this Consent Order.
- 11.2. <u>Penalties for Noncompliance</u>: Failure to comply with the terms of this Consent Order may subject Respondent to civil penalties and/or punitive damages for any costs incurred by the Department or other government agencies as a result of such failure, as provided by Health and Safety Code section 25188 and other applicable provisions of law.
- 11.3. Parties Bound: This Consent Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent and its officers, directors, agents, receivers, trustees, employees, contractors, consultants, successors, and assignees, including but not limited to individuals, partners, and subsidiary and parent corporations, and upon the Department and any successor agency that may have responsibility for and jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Consent Order.

- 11.4. <u>Effective Date</u>: The effective date of this Consent Order is the date it is signed by the Department.
- 11.5. <u>Integration</u>: This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may not be amended, supplemented, or modified, except as provided in this agreement.

Signature Redacted

Dated: 4/11/18

Chal Sulprizio
Chief Executive Officer
Custom Alloy Scrap Sales, Inc.

Dated: 4/17/18

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Dylan Clark Senior Environmental Scientist, Supervisor Cal Center Office Office of Criminal Investigations Department of Toxic Substances Control