



REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: AREA DIRECTOR

January 22, 2015

Kenny Hebert
Omega Protein, Inc.
5735 Elder Ferry Road
Moss Point, MS 39563

Dear Mr. Hebert:

The inspection, conducted on July 28, 2014 at Omega Protein's site located at 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563 has disclosed the following hazards:

Employees are exposed to hazards related to the unexpected release of hazardous energy.

Employees are exposed to arc flash hazards.

Since no specific OSHA standard applies to this particular situation, and it is not considered appropriate at this time to invoke Section 5(a)(1) the general duty clause of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, no citation will be issued for this hazard.

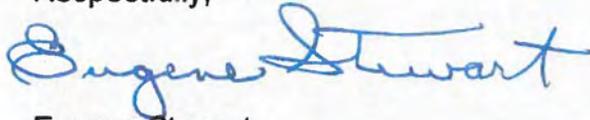
In the interest of work place safety and health, however, I recommend that you take the following steps voluntarily to eliminate or reduce your employee's exposure to the hazard described above:

Ensure that outside contractors are provided a copy of Omega Protein's energy control procedures and ensure that outside contractors are trained on Omega Protein's energy control procedures.

Ensure that employees performing work where arc flash hazards exist are provided and wear arc flash protective clothing.

Your support in protecting the health and safety of your employees is necessary and appreciated. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,



Eugene Stewart
Area Director

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Dr. A.H. McCoy Federal Bldg.
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Jackson, MS 39269
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Citation and Notification of Penalty

To:
Omega Protein, Inc.
and its successors
5735 Elder Ferry Road
Moss Point, MS 39563

Inspection Number: 989340
Inspection Date(s): 07/28/2014 - 09/05/2014
Issuance Date: 01/21/2015

Inspection Site:
5735 Elder Ferry Road
Moss Point, MS 39563

The violation(s) described in this Citation and Notification of Penalty is (are) alleged to have occurred on or about the day(s) the inspection was made unless otherwise indicated within the description given below.

This Citation and Notification of Penalty (this Citation) describes violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. The penalty(ies) listed herein is (are) based on these violations. You must abate the violations referred to in this Citation by the dates listed and pay the penalties proposed, unless within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) from your receipt of this Citation and Notification of Penalty **you either call to schedule an informal conference (see paragraph below) or you mail a notice of contest** to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above. Please refer to the enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) which outlines your rights and responsibilities and which should be read in conjunction with this form. Issuance of this Citation does not constitute a finding that a violation of the Act has occurred unless there is a failure to contest as provided for in the Act or, if contested, unless this Citation is affirmed by the Review Commission or a court.

Posting - The law requires that a copy of this Citation and Notification of Penalty be posted immediately in a prominent place at or near the location of the violation(s) cited herein, or, if it is not practicable because of the nature of the employer's operations, where it will be readily observable by all affected employees. This Citation must remain posted until the violation(s) cited herein has (have) been abated, or for 3 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays), whichever is longer.

Informal Conference - An informal conference is not required. However, if you wish to have such a conference you may request one with the Area Director during the 15 working day contest period. During such an informal conference you may present any evidence or views which you believe would support an adjustment to the citation(s) and/or penalty(ies).

If you are considering a request for an informal conference to discuss any issues related to this Citation and Notification of Penalty, you must take care to schedule it early enough to allow time to contest after the informal conference, should you decide to do so. Please keep in mind that a written letter of intent to contest must be submitted to the Area Director within 15 working days of your receipt of this Citation. The running of this contest period is not interrupted by an informal conference.

If you decide to request an informal conference, please complete, remove and post the Notice to Employees next to this Citation and Notification of Penalty as soon as the time, date, and place of the informal conference have been determined. Be sure to bring to the conference any and all supporting documentation of existing conditions as well as any abatement steps taken thus far. If conditions warrant, we can enter into an informal settlement agreement which amicably resolves this matter without litigation or contest.

Right to Contest – You have the right to contest this Citation and Notification of Penalty. You may contest all citation items or only individual items. You may also contest proposed penalties and/or abatement dates without contesting the underlying violations. **Unless you inform the Area Director in writing that you intend to contest the citation(s) and/or proposed penalty(ies) within 15 working days after receipt, the citation(s) and the proposed penalty(ies) will become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission and may not be reviewed by any court or agency.**

Penalty Payment – Penalties are due within 15 working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. (See the enclosed booklet and the additional information provided related to the Debt Collection Act of 1982.) Make your check or money order payable to “DOL-OSHA”. Please indicate the Inspection Number on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is:

<https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>.

You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$50,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will process the payments as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

Notification of Corrective Action – For each violation which you do not contest, you must provide ***abatement certification*** to the Area Director of the OSHA office issuing the citation and identified above. This abatement certification is to be provided by letter within 10 calendar days after each abatement date. Abatement certification includes the date and method of abatement. If the citation indicates that the violation was corrected during the inspection, no abatement certification is required for that item. The abatement certification letter must be posted at the location where the violation appeared and the corrective action took place or employees must otherwise be effectively informed about abatement activities. A sample abatement certification letter is enclosed with this Citation. In addition, where the citation indicates that ***abatement documentation*** is necessary, evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photographs or video, receipts, training records, etc., verifying that abatement has occurred is required to be provided to the Area Director.

Employer Discrimination Unlawful – The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an

employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he/she has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination occurred with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities – The enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) outlines additional employer rights and responsibilities and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

Notice to Employees – The law gives an employee or his/her representative the opportunity to object to any abatement date set for a violation if he/she believes the date to be unreasonable. The contest must be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above and postmarked within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) of the receipt by the employer of this Citation and Notification of Penalty.

Inspection Activity Data – You should be aware that OSHA publishes information on its inspection and citation activity on the Internet under the provisions of the Electronic Freedom of Information Act. The information related to these alleged violations will be posted when our system indicates that you have received this citation. You are encouraged to review the information concerning your establishment at www.osha.gov. If you have any dispute with the accuracy of the information displayed, please contact this office.



NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

An informal conference has been scheduled with OSHA to discuss the citation(s) issued on 01/21/2015. The conference will be held by telephone or at the OSHA office located at Dr. A.H. McCoy Federal Bldg. 100 West Capitol Street, Suite 749, Jackson, MS 39269 on

_____ at _____. Employees and/or representatives of employees have a right to attend an informal conference.

CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

Inspection Number: 989340

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563
Issuance Date: 01/21/2015

List the specific method of correction for each item on this citation in this package that does not read "Corrected During Inspection" and return to: **U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Dr. A.H. McCoy Federal Bldg. 100 West Capitol Street, Suite 749, Jackson, MS 39269**

Citation Number _____ and Item Number _____ was corrected on _____
By (Method of Abatement): _____

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I certify that the information contained in this document is accurate and that the affected employees and their representatives have been informed of the abatement.

Signature

Date

Typed or Printed Name

Title

NOTE: 29 USC 666(g) whoever knowingly makes any false statements, representation or certification in any application, record, plan or other documents filed or required to be maintained pursuant to the Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.

POSTING: A copy of completed Corrective Action Worksheet should be posted for employee review

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.22(a)(1): All places of employment, passageways, storerooms or service rooms were not kept clean and orderly or in a sanitary condition:

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 29, 2014 the electrical room had boxes, bags of trash and other items on floor.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/02/2015
\$3300.00

See pages 1 through 4 of this Citation and Notification of Penalty for information on employer and employee rights and responsibilities.

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.22(c): Covers and/or guardrails were not provided to protect personnel from the hazards of open pits, tanks, vats, ditches, etc.:

(a) Tank farm - On or about July 28, 2014 the pit opening for the sump pump was not guarded.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$3300.00

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 3 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.24(b): Fixed stairs were not provided where access to elevations was daily or at each shift for such purposes as gauging, inspection, regular maintenance, etc., where such work may expose employee(s) to acids, caustics, gases, or other harmful substances, or for which purposes the carrying of tools or equipment by hand is normally required:

(a) Raw Box Area - On or about August 7, 2014 no stair or ladder was provided where there was a change in elevation on catwalks. Employee(s) use area to clean roller screen.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$3300.00

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 4 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.37(b)(4): Where the direction of travel to the exit or exit discharge is not immediately apparent, signs were not posted along the exit access indicating the direction of travel to the nearest exit and exit discharge:

(a) Scrap Shed - On or about August 7, 2014 way to exit signs were not posted.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/17/2015
\$3300.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 5 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.219(f)(3): Sprocket wheels and chains which were seven (7) feet or less above floors or platforms were not enclosed:

(a) Raw box, cooker area - On or about August 7, 2014 chain and sprocket on cookers were not fully guarded.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$4400.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

Citation 1 Item 6 a Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.252(a)(2)(vi)(C): Cutting or welding was permitted in the presence of explosive atmospheres (mixture of flammable gases, vapors, liquids, or dusts with air), or explosive atmospheres that could develop inside uncleaned or improperly prepared tanks or equipment which had previously contained such materials, or that could develop in areas:

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 28, 2014 employees working for Accu-Fab Construction, Inc. were allowed to perform welding and cutting on piping connected to Tank #10 that contained hydrogen sulfide and methane. The tank and piping had not been cleaned prior to the start of work.

In the alternative

29 CFR 1926.352(c): Welding, cutting, or heating was done where the application of flammable paints, or the presence of other flammable compounds, or heavy dust concentrations created a hazard:

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 28, 2014 employees working for Accu-Fab Construction, Inc. were allowed to perform welding and cutting on piping connected to Tank #10 that contained hydrogen sulfide and methane. The tank and piping had not been cleaned prior to the start of work.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/17/2015
\$7000.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 1 Item 6 b Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.252(a)(3)(i): Welding, cutting, or other hot work was performed on used drums, barrels, tanks, or other containers that had not been cleaned so thoroughly as to make absolutely certain there were no flammable materials present or any substance

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 28, 2014 welding and cutting was permitted to be performed on tanks and piping containing hazardous atmospheres of methane and hydrogen sulfide that had not been cleaned. Employees working for Accu-Fab Construction, Inc. were allowed to perform welding and cutting on piping connected to Tank #10. The tank and piping had not been cleaned prior to the start of work.

In the Alternative

29 CFR 1926.352(i): Drums containers, or hollow structures which have contained toxic or flammable substances were not, before welding, cutting, or heating was undertaken on them, either be filled with water or thoroughly cleaned of such substances and ventilated and tested.

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 28, 2014 welding and cutting was permitted to be performed on tanks and piping containing hazardous atmospheres of methane and hydrogen sulfide that had not been cleaned. Employees working for Accu-Fab Construction, Inc. were allowed to perform welding and cutting on piping connected to Tank #10. The tank and piping had not been cleaned prior to the start of work.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

02/17/2015



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 1 Item 7 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.252(b)(1)(ii): Welders did not place welding cable and other equipment so that it was clear of passageways, ladders, and stairways:

(a) Tank farm - On or about July 28, 2014 contract employees placed welding cables and hoses across passageways used by tank farm employee creating tripping hazards.

In the Alternative

29 CFR 1926.350(f)(7): Hoses, cables, and other equipment were not be kept clear of passageways, ladders and stairs.

(a) Tank farm - On or about July 28, 2014 contract employees placed welding cables and hoses across passageways used by tank farm employee creating tripping hazards.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/17/2015
\$3300.00

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 8 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.304(g)(5): The path to ground from circuits, equipment, and enclosures was not permanent, continuous, and effective:

(a) Tank Farm - on or about July 29, 2014 flexible cord used to power sump pump did not have a ground pin.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$3300.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

Citation 1 Item 9 a Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.1200(f)(5)(i): The employer did not ensure that each container of hazardous chemicals in the workplace was labeled, tagged or marked with the identity of the hazardous chemical(s) contained therein: (Construction Reference: 1926.59)

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 29, 2014 tanks containing diesel, hydrogen sulfide and methane generated by stickwater, and fish solubles were not labeled.

(b) Process area - On or about July 29, 2014 Caustic rinse water tank was not labeled.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/09/2015
\$5500.00



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 1 Item 9 b Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.1200(f)(5)(ii): The employer did not ensure that each container of hazardous chemicals in the workplace was labeled, tagged or marked with the appropriate hazard warnings: (Construction Reference: 1926.59)

(a) Tank Farm - During the period July 22, 2014 through July 29, 2014 tank #10 contained stickwater which produces methane and hydrogen sulfide and the tank was not marked with the appropriate hazard warning.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

02/09/2015

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 1 Item 9 c Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.1200(h)(1): Employees were not provided effective information and training on hazardous chemicals in their work area at the time of their initial assignment and whenever a new hazard that the employees had not been previously trained about was introduced into their work area: (Construction Reference: 1926.59)

(a) Tank Farm - During the period July 22 through July 28, 2014 employees and employees of contractors on site were not trained on hazards related to hydrogen sulfide and methane. Employees were not informed that stickwater could generate hydrogen sulfide and methane.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

02/17/2015

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Willful**

29 CFR 1910.252(a)(2)(xiii)(D): The employer did not recognize its responsibility for the safe usage of cutting or welding equipment, and did not advise all contractors about flammable materials or hazardous conditions of which they may not be aware:

(a) Tank Farm - On or about July 28, 2014 employees working for Accu-Fab Construction, Inc. were allowed to perform welding and cutting on piping connected to Tank #10 that contained hydrogen sulfide and methane. The tank and piping had not been cleaned prior to the start of work.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:	02/17/2015
Proposed Penalty:	\$70000.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 3 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

Omega Protein, Inc. was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.23(c)(1), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 315308205, Citation Number 1, Item Number 2, issued on September 9, 2012, with respect to a workplace located at 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39562 which became a final order on October 17, 2012.

29 CFR 1910.23(c)(1): Open-sided floors and/or platforms four feet or more above adjacent floor or ground level were not guarded with standard railings:

- (a) Raw box - On or about August 7, 2014 mid-rail was missing at catwalk end near control for raw box doors.
- (b) Big raw box area - On or about August 7, 2014 section of catwalk had an opening missing a mid-rail near the motor to cross over screw.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$16500.00



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563

Citation 3 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

Omega Protein, Inc. was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.303(f)(1), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 315308205, Citation Number 1, Item Number 19, issued on September 9, 2012, with respect to a workplace located at 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39562 which became a final order on October 17, 2012.

29 CFR 1910.303(f)(1): Each disconnecting means required by Subpart S of Part 1910 for motors and appliances was not legibly marked to indicate its purpose, nor located and arranged so the purpose was evident:

(a) Scrap Shed - On or about August 7, 2014 three fuse boxes on south wall were not marked to indicate their purpose.

(b) Net Shed - On or about August 7, 2014 motor control box was not marked to indicate purpose.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection
\$16500.00

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Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
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Citation 4 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Other-than-Serious**

29 CFR 1917.42(b)(4): "U" Bolts were not applied with the "U" section in contact with the dead end of the rope:

(a) Dock - On or about August 7, 2014 bailing rig #2 "U" bolts were installed incorrectly on wire rope rigging.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

02/02/2015
\$0.00


Eugene Stewart
Area Director

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INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name: Omega Protein, Inc.
Inspection Site: 5735 Elder Ferry Road, Moss Point, MS 39563
Issuance Date: 01/21/2015

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number	989340
Citation 1, Serious	\$36700.00
Citation 2, Willful	\$70000.00
Citation 3, Repeat	\$33000.00
Citation 4, Other-than-Serious	\$0.00
TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES	\$139700.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is <https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$50,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will cash the check or money order as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on

your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to 2 times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Interest: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

Delinquent Charges: A debt is considered delinquent if it has not been paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the penalty due date or if a satisfactory payment arrangement has not been made. If the debt remains delinquent for more than 90 calendar days, a delinquent charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be assessed accruing from the date that the debt became delinquent.

Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.



Eugene Stewart
Area Director

1-21-15
Date