STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE AND INSPECTION

In Re: Corado A. Dottor FILE NO.: UST 2010-03035

Lucille Dottor

CONSENT AGREEMENT

A. INTENT & PURPOSE

This Agreement is entered by and between the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management's Office of Compliance & Inspection ("RIDEM") and Corado A. Dottor and Lucille Dottor (the "Respondents"). This Agreement is entered in accordance with Section 42-17.1-2 et seq. of the Rhode Island General Laws ("R.I. Gen. Laws") for the purpose of resolving the administrative enforcement action set forth in a Notice of Violation ("NOV") issued to Respondents by RIDEM on February 8, 2011.

B. STIPULATED FACTS

- (1) WHEREAS, the subject property is located at 716 Hartford Avenue in the city of Providence, Rhode Island, Assessor's Plat 115, Lot 562 (the "Property").
- (2) WHEREAS, the Property includes a gasoline service station and four underground storage tanks ("USTs" or "tanks"), which tanks are used for storage of petroleum products (the "Facility").
- (3) WHEREAS, Respondents own the Property.
- (4) The Facility is subject to RIDEM's Rules and Regulations for Underground Storage Facilities Used for Petroleum Products and Hazardous Materials, as amended (the "UST Regulations").
- (5) WHEREAS, the Facility is registered with RIDEM in accordance with Section 6.00 of the UST Regulations and is identified as UST Facility No. 03035.
- (6) WHEREAS, on February 9, 2011, RIDEM issued a NOV to the Respondents alleging certain violations of the UST Regulations.
- (7) WHEREAS, the Respondents failed to request an administrative hearing to contest the NOV.
- (8) WHEREAS, the Respondents complied with the Order section of the NOV.

- (9) WHEREAS, in lieu of proceeding to Superior Court to enforce the NOV and to effect a timely and amicable resolution of the NOV, RIDEM and the Respondents hereby agree that it is in the best interest of the parties and in the public interest to resolve the issues raised in the NOV.
- (10) WHEREAS, RIDEM finds that this Agreement is a reasonable and fair settlement and adequately protects the public interest in accordance with the UST Regulations.

C. AGREEMENT

- (1) <u>JURISDICTION</u> RIDEM has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Agreement and has personal jurisdiction over the Respondents.
- (2) <u>FORCE and EFFECT</u> This Agreement shall have the full force and effect of a final compliance order issued after a full hearing on the merits pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-35-1 et seq. from which no timely appeal was taken, and which is enforceable in Superior Court in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-17.1-2(21)(v).
- (3) <u>APPLICATION</u> The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to and be binding upon RIDEM, the Respondents and their agents, servants, employees, successors, assigns and all persons, firms and corporations acting under, through and for the Respondents in the performance of work relating to or impacting the requirements of this Agreement.

(4) CONDITIONS -

- (a) Penalty **Upon Respondents execution of the Consent Agreement**, Respondents shall pay to RIDEM the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) in administrative penalties.
- (b) Penalties that the respondents agree to pay in this Agreement are penalties payable to and for the benefit of the State of Rhode Island and are not compensation for actual pecuniary loss.
- (c) All penalty payments shall be in the form of a certified check, cashiers check, or money order, payable to the *R.I. General Treasurer –Water and Air Protection Account*. All payments shall be delivered to: Chief, RIDEM Office of Compliance and Inspection, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767.

D. COMPLIANCE

- (1) <u>EFFECT OF COMPLIANCE</u> Compliance with and fulfillment of this Agreement shall be deemed to resolve all issues in the NOV.
- (2) <u>COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS</u> Compliance with the terms of this Agreement does not relieve the Respondents of any obligation to comply with

any other applicable laws or regulations administered by, through or for RIDEM or any other governmental entity.

- (3) <u>ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS</u> Upon a determination by the Director that there is a threat to the public health or the environment, or upon discovery of any new information, RIDEM reserves the right to take additional enforcement actions as provided by law or regulation, including, but not limited to, the issuance of "Immediate Compliance Orders" as authorized by R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-17.1-2(21). This Agreement shall not restrict any right to hearing or other right available by statute or regulation that the Respondents may have regarding any new enforcement action commenced by RIDEM after the execution of this Agreement.
- (4) <u>FUTURE ACTIVITIES AND UNKNOWN CONDITIONS</u> This Agreement shall not operate to shield the Respondents from liability arising from future activities, as of the date of execution of this Agreement.
- (5) <u>SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENT</u> The scope of the Agreement is only violations alleged in the NOV.
- (6) <u>NOTICE AND COMMUNICATION</u> Communications regarding this Agreement shall be directed to:

Tracey D'Amadio Tyrrell, Supervising Environmental Scientist RIDEM Office of Compliance and Inspection 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767 Tel. (401) 222-1360, ext. 7407

Joseph LoBianco, Esq. RIDEM Office of Legal Services 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767 Tel. (401) 222-6607

Corado Dottor 19 Green Valley Drive, Johnston, RI 02919 Tel (401) 831-9797

All communications regarding compliance with this Agreement shall be forwarded to the above-referenced addressees by certified mail.

(7) <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u> – This Agreement shall be deemed entered as of the date of execution by all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned consent to this Agreement in substance and in form.

Corrado A. Dottor	
By:	(Print Name)
Dated:	
Lucille Dottor:	
By:	(Print Name)
Dated:	
For the State of Rhode Island Environmental Management:	Department of
David E. Chopy, Chief Office of Compliance and Inspection	
Dated:	