#### SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Commissioner of Labor (hereinafter referred to as "Commissioner") and C&D Technologies, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Employer") hereby agree as follows:

The Commissioner amends the Safety Order(s) and Notification(s) of Penalty, IOSHA Inspection No. 315870790 issued to the Employer on February 20, 2013 in the following manner:

#### SAFETY ORDER 01:

Item 1a and 1b:

Upheld. Abatement date amended to April 15, 2013.

Item 2a and 2b:

Upheld. Abatement date amended to April 15, 2013.

Item 3:

Upheld. Abatement date amended to April 15, 2013.

#### SAFETY ORDER 02:

Item 1:

Reduced to a Serious violation and the penalty reduced to \$5,161.25

Abatement date amended to April 15, 2013.

The TOTAL AGREED PENALTY is \$8986.25 This is a 35% reduction of the total penalty.

THE EMPLOYER IS SATISFIED WITH THE AMENDMENTS STATED ABOVE AND ACCORDINGLY WAIVES ITS RIGHT TO FILE A NOTICE OF CONTEST OF THE SAFETY ORDER(S) AND NOTIFICATION(S) OF PENALTY AS AMENDED AND AGREES TO WITHDRAW ANY PREVIOUSLY FILED NOTICES OF CONTEST IN THIS MATTER.

Upon full execution of this Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") the Employer will post this Agreement for three (3) working days or until abatement is completed, whichever period is longer.

The total AGREED PENALTY is due and payable within fifteen (15) working days from the Employer's execution of this Agreement. The Employer further agrees that if the AGREED PENALTY is not paid within fifteen working days from the Employer's execution of this Agreement, that the full amount of the penalty initially assessed against the Employer in the Safety Order(s) and Notification(s) of Penalty which are the subject of this Agreement is due and payable immediately.

The Safety Order(s) and Notification(s) of Penalty are, and shall be, herein a final and enforceable Order of the Board of Safety Review.

Except for this Agreement, and IOSHA matters arising out of this Agreement, and any other subsequent IOSHA proceedings between the parties, none of the foregoing agreements, statements, findings, and actions taken by Employer shall be deemed an admission by Employer of the allegations contained within the Safety Order(s) and Notification(s) of Penalty. The agreements, statements, findings and

actions taken herein are made in order to compromise and settle this IOSHA matter economically and amicably, and they shall not be used for any other purpose, except as herein stated.

C&D TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: Forfatty

Title: PLANT MGR (ALTG)

Date: 3/15/2013

COMMISSIONER OF LABOR

Title:

Date:

Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration

402 West Washington Street

Room W195

Indianapolis, IN 46204-2751

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# Safety Order and Notification of Penalty

To:

C & D Technologies, Inc.,

and its successors

200 West Main Street

Attica, IN 47918

**Inspection Site:** 

200 West Main Street Attica, IN 47918 **Inspection Number:** 

ber: 315870790

**Inspection Date(s):** 

10/05/2012 - 10/17/2012

**Issuance Date:** 

02/20/2013

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The violation(s) described in this Safety Order 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.

An inspection of your place of employment has revealed conditions which we believe do not comply with the provisions of the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Act (Indiana Code Chapter 22-8-1.1) or the standards or rules adopted thereunder. Accordingly, enclosed please find safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty describing such violation(s) with references to applicable standards, rules, or provisions of the statute and stating the amount of any penalty(ies).

Informal Conference - Please be advised that it may be possible to informally settle any potential dispute without initiating the more elaborate proceedings brought on by a petition for review. Prior to filing a petition for review, you may request an informal conference concerning any of the results of the inspection (safety orders, penalties, abatement dates, etc.) by contacting the Indiana Department of Labor/IOSHA, preferably by telephone, in a prompt manner. Please be advised that a request for an informal conference cannot extend the fifteen working day period for filing a petition for review. Informal conferences frequently resolve any possible disputes, and therefore you are urged to take advantage of this opportunity. Because of the limited time period and in order to facilitate scheduling, any requests for an informal conference should be made promptly upon your receipt of the safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty.

**Right to Contest** - You are hereby also notified that you are entitled to seek administrative review of the safety order(s), penalty(ies), or both by filing a written petition for review at the above address <u>postmarked</u> within fifteen working days of your receipt of the safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty. ("Working days" means Mondays through Fridays, but does not include Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays under a state statute or days

on which the Indiana Department of Labor's offices are closed during regular business hours). If you do not file such a petition for review (contest), the safety order(s) and penalty(ies) shall be deemed final orders of the Board of Safety Review and not subject to review by any court or agency. The issuance of a safety order does not constitute a finding that a violation has occurred unless no petition for review is filed, or if a petition for review (contest) is filed, it must contain a statement of its basis and should reference the above inspection number. Upon receipt of your petition for review, we will affirm, amend or dismiss the safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty. If we affirm, your petition for review will be granted (unless it was not timely) and the dispute will be certified by the Board of Safety Review for further proceedings. The Board of Safety Review is an independent agency appointed by the governor with authority to conduct hearings and to issue decisions concerning disputed safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty. If we amend the safety order(s) or notification(s) of penalty, your petition for review shall be deemed moot. However, you will then be given an opportunity to file a petition for review concerning the amended safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty.

Please be advised that an employee or representative of employees may file a petition for review to contest the reasonableness of the time stated in the safety order(s) for the abatement of any violation.

**Posting** - Upon receipt of any safety order(s) you are required to post such safety order(s), or a copy thereof, unedited, at or near each place an alleged violation referred to in the safety order(s) occurred. However, if your operations are such that it is not practicable to post the safety order(s) at or near each place of alleged violation, such safety order(s) shall be posted, unedited, in a prominent place where it will be readily observable by all affected employees. For example, if you are engaged in activities which are physically dispersed, the safety order(s) may be posted at the location from which the employees operate to carry out their activities. You must take steps to ensure that the safety order is not altered, defaced, or covered by other material. Posting shall be until the violation is abated, or for three working days, whichever is longer.

**Penalties** - Penalties are due within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. Abatement does not constitute payment of penalties.

**Abatement** - The conditions cited in the safety order(s) must be corrected (abated) on or before the date shown for each item on the safety order(s) and notification(s) of penalty unless:

- (1) You file a petition for review concerning the violation, in which case the full abatement period shall commence from the issuance of a final decision by the Board of Safety Review or the courts which requires compliance with the safety order; or
  - (2) The abatement period is extended by the granting of a petition for modification of abatement date.

**PMAs** - The petition for modification of abatement date is a manner in which you may seek additional time to correct (abate) a violation without having to file a petition for review concerning the safety order, or after the expiration of the time period to file such a petition for review when it becomes apparent that you need extra time to abate the violation. A petition for modification of abatement date shall be in writing and shall include the following information:

- (1) All steps you have taken, and the dates of such actions, in an effort to achieve compliance during the prescribed abatement period.
  - (2) The specific additional abatement time necessary in order to achieve compliance.
- (3) The reasons such additional time is necessary, including the unavailability of professional or technical personnel or of materials and equipment, or because necessary construction or alteration of facilities cannot be completed by the original abatement date.
- (4) All available interim steps being taken to safeguard employees against the cited hazard during the abatement period.
- (5) A certification that a copy of the petition has been posted, and if appropriate, served on the authorized representative of affected employees, and a certification of the date upon which such posting and service was made.

A petition for modification of abatement date shall be filed with the Indiana Department of Labor/IOSHA no later than the close of the next working day following the date on which abatement was originally required. A later-filed petition shall be accompanied by the employer's statement of exceptional circumstances explaining the delay. A copy of such petition shall be posted in a conspicuous place where all affected employees will have notice thereof or near such location where the violation occurred. The petition shall remain posted until the time period for the filing of a petition for review of the Commissioner's granting or denying the petition expires. Where affected employees are represented by an authorized representative, said representative shall be served a copy of such petition.

Notification of Corrective Action - Correction of the alleged violations which have an abatement period of thirty (30) days or less should be reported in writing to us promptly upon correction. A "Letter of Abatement" form and an "Abatement Photographs" worksheet are enclosed for your assistance in providing adequate documentation of abatement. Reports of corrections should show specific corrective action on each alleged violation and the date of such action. On alleged violations with abatement periods of more than thirty (30) days, a written progress report should be submitted, detailing what has been done, what remains to be done, and the time needed to fully abate each such violation. When the alleged violation is fully abated, we should be so advised. Timely correction of an alleged violation does not affect the initial proposed penalty.

**Followup Inspections** - Please be advised that a followup inspection may be made for the purpose of ascertaining that you have posted the safety order(s) and corrected the alleged violations. Failure to correct an alleged violation may result in additional penalties for each day that the violation has not been corrected.

**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 Indiana Department of Labor/IOSHA at the address shown above.

**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 Indiana Department of Labor/IOSHA at the address shown above within fifteen (15) working days (excluding weekends and State holidays) or receipt by the employer of this safety order and penalty.

If you wish additional information, you may direct such requests to us at the address or telephone number stated above.

Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration



# NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

An informal con	nference has been so	cheduled with I	OSHA to c	liscuss the saf	ety order(s)	issued
on 02/20/2013.	The conference wi	ill be held at the	e IOSHA o	ffice located a	at 402 West	
Washington Stre	eet, Room W195, In	ndianapolis, IN	46204 on		at	
	. Employees and/	or representati	ves of em	ployees have	a right to a	ittend
an informal con	nference.					
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Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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315870790

Number:

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#### Safety Order and Notification of Penalty

Company Name:

C & D Technologies, Inc.

**Inspection Site:** 

200 West Main Street, Attica, IN 47918

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

Safety Order 1 Item 1a Type of Violation:

**Serious** 

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(4)(ii): The energy control procedures did not clearly and specifically outline the scope, purpose, authorization, rules, and techniques to be utilized for the control of hazardous energy, including, but not limited to Items AD of this section:

Casting Department - The casting department exhaust fans, powered by 480 volt electric motor, had lockout procedures which did not clearly indicate how the energy sources would be locked out.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

**Proposed Penalty:** 

03/12/2013 \$1,275.00

Safety Order 1 Item 1b Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(6)(i): The employer did not conduct an annual or more frequent inspection of the energy control procedure to ensure that the procedure and requirements of this standard were followed:

Plant Wide - Maintenance employees, required to lockout equipment such as but not limited to exhaust fans in the casting department, were not provided with accurate lockout procedures.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

03/12/2013

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

Safety Order 1 Item 2a Type of Violation:

Serious

29 CFR 1910.178(e)(2): Fork trucks, where the load presents a hazard, were not equipped with vertical load backrest extensions:

Casting Department - Forklift operators were required to operate powered industrial trucks, such as but not limited to the #46 Hyster E40XL-27 and the #50 Hyster E40XMS, which had the load backrest extension removed, while lifting loads that may extend beyond the top of the truck's mast.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

03/12/2013

**Proposed Penalty:** 

\$1,275.00

Safety Order 1 Item 2b Type of Violation:

Serious

29 CFR 1910.178(l)(1)(ii): Prior to permitting an employee to operate a powered industrial truck, the employer did not ensure that each operator had successfully completed the training required by this paragraph:

Plant Wide - Charging employees were required to operate powered industrial trucks, such as but not limited to the #58 Hyster model J40XMT2 forklift, without having been training in the safe operation of powered industrial trucks.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

03/12/2013

Safety Order 1 Item 3 Type of Violation:

Serious

29 CFR 1910.303(e)(1)(ii): Electrical equipment was being used which did not have other markings giving voltage, current, wattage, or other ratings as necessary:

Casting Department - Maintenance employees were required to lock out electrical disconnects for the exhaust fans which were not marked as to the voltage and purpose of the disconnects.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

03/12/2013

**Proposed Penalty:** 

\$1,275.00



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# Safety Order 2 Item 1 Type of Violation:

Repeat

29 CFR 1910.134(f)(2): The employer did not ensure that an employee using a tight-fitting facepiece respirator was fit tested prior to initial use of the respirator, whenever a different respirator facepiece (size, style, model or make) was used, and at least annually thereafter:

Plant Wide - Large Power Assemblers, required to wear half-mask tight-fitting facepiece respirators while exposed to lead, had not received a fit test within the past 365 days.

C&D Technologies, Inc. was previously cited for a violation of this Occupational Safety and Health Standard or its equivalent standard, 29 CFR 1910.134(f)(2), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 313912339, Item Number01001A, issued on 10/08/2010 with respect to a workplace located at 200 West Main Street, Attica, IN 47918.

C & D Technologies, Inc. was previously cited for a violation of this Occupational Safety and Health Standard or its equivalent Standard, 29 CFR 1910.134(f)(2) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 313912339, citation number 01, item number 1A, issued on 10/08/2010, with respect to a workplace located at 200 West Main Street, Attica, IN 47918.

**Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:** 

**Proposed Penalty:** 

03/12/2013

\$10,000.00

Julie C/ Méxander J.D.

Director, Industrial Compliance



Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration 402 West Washington Street Room W195

Indianapolis, IN 46204-2751

Phone: 317/232-1979 Fax: 317/233-8509



# INVOICE/DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name:

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**Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number** 

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Safety Order 01, Serious

=

\$3,825.00

Safety Order 02, Repeat

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\$10,000.00

**Total Proposed Penalties** 

\$13,825.00

Penalties are due within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. Make your check or money order payable to: "Indiana DOL/IOSHA". Please indicate IOSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance.

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

Corrective action, taken by you for each alleged violation should be submitted to this office on or about the abatement dates indicated on the Safety Order and Notification of Penalty.

A work sheet has been provided to assist in providing the required abatement information. A completed copy of this work sheet should be posted at the worksite with the safety order(s).

Julie C. Alexander J.D.

Director, Industrial Compliance

Date