



Pet Products, Inc.
Regulatory Affairs/Consumer Services

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November 5, 1998

Ms. Leah Tremper
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
License Fee & Accounts Payable
P.O. Box 954514
St. Louis, MO 63195-4514

RE: ConAgra Pet Products
Richmond, VA 23231
License Cancellation

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please be advised that the referenced facility ceased operations Back in the Spring of this year. The facility closed its doors in February and the EPA was notified and acknowledged the inactive status in April.

I have been informed that the equipment that required the license was sold and removed from the facility. Most of the manufacturing equipment was moved to Memphis, but the lab equipment was not moved here. I was under the impression that the Commission had been notified of this change by the Richmond facility.

The bill that was received indicates a total due of \$1,717.08. Is this due for the 1998 license or is this the amount due for the 1999 license? If this is for the 1998 calendar year is it possible to prorate the license fee to the closing of the plant.

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated

Sincerely,

Bill Washburn

Bill Washburn
Product Development & Regulatory Affairs Manager

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To RLL 2/2/99



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION III
841 Chestnut Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107-4431

Re: EPA Est. No. 2517-VA-01

To whom it may concern: *Mr Moran*

Pursuant to your request, you are hereby notified that EPA has taken the following action relating to the status of your pesticide-producing establishment number:

Cancellation of registration as a pesticide-producing establishment. Reapplication is necessary if the facility resumes pesticide production activities.

Inactive status of establishment registration as a pesticide producer. Establishment Number remains valid, but no production activity is permitted and no filing of annual production reports is required while facility remains in inactive status. Written request for reactivation is necessary if production activities are to be resumed.

The above referenced action was made effective on 1 April 98.

If you have any questions, I can be contact at the above address, by telephone at 215-566-2062 or via electronic mail at donahue.lisa@epamail.epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Donahue, Environmental Scientist
Pesticide and Asbestos Enforcement Section

Saturday, February 14, 1998

Local pet products plant closes

Some Sergeant's employees to lose jobs

BY BOB RAYNER
Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

Sergeant's Pet Products Inc. has closed its eastern Henrico County plant that made pet shampoos and flea and tick remedies.

"All operations have ceased at the facility," said Robert Scharf, general manager for Sergeant's. "Some management personnel will stay on as consultants until the plant has been dismantled."

The plant's production will be shifted to Memphis, Tenn., as part of a new joint venture Sergeant's has formed with the Speer Products division of Shirlo Inc., a privately held manufacturer of consumer products and household chemicals.

The Sergeant's factory, on Darbytown Road in the Whitehall-Robins complex, employs 33 people. Some of those employees will be offered positions in Memphis with Pet Logic, the new joint venture.

Joan Lukas, a spokeswoman for Sergeant's parent company, ConAgra Inc., said she could not say how many workers would be offered jobs in Memphis.

Those not offered a chance to move will lose their jobs. They will receive severance pay and closing bonuses as well as medical and dental insurance coverage for the period of their severance pay.

Lukas would not disclose details about the severance packages.

Sergeant's will continue to operate its local distribution facility on Eubank Road in Henrico County, where six people are employed.

One reason Sergeant's decided to close its plant here, Lukas said, was because of concerns about the lease on the building. "Negotiations just didn't work out," she said.

Scharf, the general manager, said his company had a finite lease with Whitehall-Robins for the plant building, which meant long-term upgrades of the property were not feasible.

Lukas said the company plans to hold a job fair for the plant's employees on Tuesday, and six or seven area companies already have agreed to take part.

ConAgra, a diversified food and grocery products company based in Omaha, Neb., bought Sergeant's from A.H. Robins Co. in 1989 for more than \$10 million.

In 1997, ConAgra had \$24 billion in worldwide revenue and \$615 million in net income.

Sergeant's said the new joint venture would combine its strong brand name in pet supplies with Speer's strength in research, product development and manufacturing.

Sergeant's other lines, such as pet treats and small animal and fish products, won't be affected by the joint venture.

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