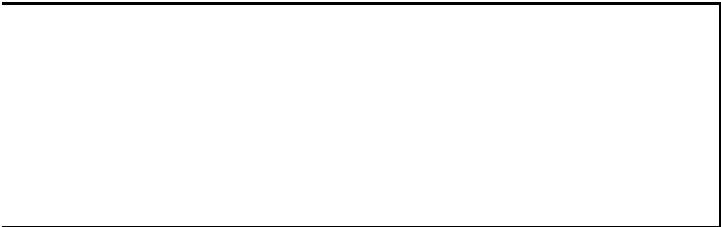


**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**



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1. Proposed Respondent American Petroleum Company, Inc. is a corporation organized, existing, and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, with its office and principal place of business located at Road 865 KM 0.2, Barrio Campanillas, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico 00951.
2. The Federal Trade Commission has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this proceeding and of the Respondent, and the proceeding is in the public interest.

## **ORDER**

### **I.**

**IT IS ORDERED** that, as used in this Decision and Order, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. “American Petroleum” or “Respondent” means American Petroleum Company, Inc., its directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, and assigns; its subsidiaries, divisions, groups, and affiliates controlled, directly or indirectly, by American Petroleum Company, Inc.; and the respective directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, and assigns of each.
- B. “Commission” means the Federal Trade Commission.
- C. “Lubricants” means motor oil, lubricating oil, and any other product used or intended to be used to reduce friction between rubbing surfaces.
- D. “Person” means both natural persons and artificial persons, including, but not limited to, corporations, partnerships, and unincorporated entities.
- E. “Seller” means any person other than American Petroleum engaged in the business of importing e fLbrants **ORDEI,**

- A. To restrain, restrict, limit, or reduce the import or sale of Lubricants.
- B. To deal with, refuse to deal with, threaten to refuse to deal with, boycott, or threaten to boycott, any buyer or potential buyer of Lubricants.

*PROVIDED, HOWEVER*, that nothing in this Order shall prevent Respondent from exercising rights under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution to petition any government body concerning legislation, rules, or procedures.

### **III.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that:

- A. Within sixty (60) days after the date this Decision and Order becomes final, Respondent shall submit to the Commission a verified written report setting forth in detail the manner and form in which that Respondent has complied and is complying with this Order.
- B. One (1) year after the date this Decision and Order becomes final, annually for the next four (4) years on the anniversary of the date this Decision and Order becomes final, and at other times as the Commission may require, Respondent shall file with the Commission a verified written report setting forth in detail the manner and form in which it has complied and is complying with this Decision and Order.

### **IV.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Respondent shall notify the Commission at least thirty (30) days prior to:

- A. Any proposed dissolution of Respondent,
- B. Any proposed acquisition, merger, or consolidation of Respondent, or
- C. Any other change in Respondent that may affect compliance obligations arising out of this Order, including but not limited to assignment, the creation or dissolution of subsidiaries, or any other change in Respondent.

### **V.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, for the purpose of determining or securing compliance with this order, upon written request, Respondent shall permit any duly authorized representative of the Commission:

- A. Access, during office hours and in the presence of counsel, to all facilities and access to inspect and copy all books, ledgers, accounts, correspondence, memoranda and other records and documents in the possession or under the control of Respondent relating to any matters contained in this Decision and Order; and
- B. Upon five (5) days' notice to Respondent and without restraint or interference from it, to interview officers, directors, or employees of Respondent.

**VI.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Respondent shall:

- A. Within thirty (30) days after the date on which this Decision and Order becomes final, send a copy of this Decision and Order by first class mail to each of its directors and officers.
- B. Mail a copy of this Decision and Order by first class mail to each person who becomes a director or officer, no later than (30) days after the commencement of such person's employment or affiliation with Respondent.
- C. Require each person to whom a copy of this Decision and Order is furnished pursuant to subparagraphs VI.A and VI.B of this Decision and Order to sign and submit to Respondent within thirty (30) days of the receipt thereof a statement that: (1) acknowledges receipt of the Decision and Order; (2) represents that the undersigned has read and understands the Decision and Order; and (3) acknowledges that the undersigned had been advised and understands that non-compliance with the Decision and Order may subject American Petroleum to penalties for violation of the Decision and Order.

**VII.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Decision and Order shall terminate twenty (20) years from the date the Decision and Order is issued.

By the Commission.

Donald S. Clark  
Secretary

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ISSUED: