

**BEFORE THE  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20585**

In the Matter of: )  
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**Rheem Sales Company, Inc.** ) Case Number: 2016-SE-44004  
Respondent )  
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**ORDER**

By the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Energy:

1. In this Order, I adopt the attached Compromise Agreement entered into between the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) and Company (“Respondent”). The Compromise Agreement resolves the case initiated to pursue a civil penalty for distributing in commerce in the United States commercial water heating equipment that failed to meet the applicable energy conservation standard.
2. DOE and Respondent have negotiated the terms of the Compromise Agreement that resolves this matter. A copy of the Compromise Agreement is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
3. After reviewing the terms of the Compromise Agreement and evaluating the facts before me, I find that the public interest would be served by adopting the Compromise Agreement.
4. Based on the information in the case file and Respondent’s admission of facts establishing violations, I find that Respondent knowingly committed Prohibited Acts by distributing in commerce commercial water heating equipment that were not in conformity with the applicable energy conservation standard. *See* 42 U.S.C. §§ 6302, 6316(a); 10 C.F.R. §§ 429.102(a)(6), 431.110(a).
5. Accordingly, pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 429.120 and 42 U.S.C. §§ 6303 and 6316, I **HEREBY ASSESS** a civil penalty of \$687,000 **AND ORDER** that the Compromise Agreement attached to this Order is adopted.

/S/  
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Bill Cooper  
General Counsel

March 26, 2020  
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Date