

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

In the Matter of: )  
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**Changhong Meiling Co., Ltd.** ) Case Number: 2017-SE-14004  
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 by the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) and Changhong Meiling Co., Ltd. (“Respondent”). The Compromise Agreement resolves the case initiated to pursue civil penalties for distributing in commerce in the United States freezers that are not in compliance with the applicable energy conservation standards at 10 C.F.R. § 430.32(a).
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, which would complete the adjudication of the case.
4. Based on the information in the case file and Respondent’s admission of facts establishing violations, I find that Respondent committed Prohibited Acts by distributing in commerce freezers that are not in compliance with the applicable energy conservation standards. *See* 42 U.S.C. § 6302; 10 C.F.R. § 429.102(a)(6).
5. Accordingly, pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 429.120 and 42 U.S.C. § 6303, **I HEREBY ASSESS** a civil penalty of \$1,901,540 **AND ORDER** that the Compromise Agreement attached to this Order is adopted.

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Bill Cooper  
General Counsel

\_\_\_\_\_May 23, 2019\_\_\_\_\_  
Date