UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,

Complainant,

VS.

GEORGE EDWARD PERRY, JR.,

Respondent.

Docket Number 2023-0081 Enforcement Activity No. 7636380

CONSENT ORDER

Issued By: Honorable George J. Jordan, Administrative Law Judge

Issued: April 21, 2023

Appearances:

PAUL LEDOUX USCG Sector Virginia

For the Coast Guard

GEORGE EDWARD PERRY, JR., pro se

For Respondent

CONSENT ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

On March 8, 2023, the Coast Guard filed a Complaint against George Edward Perry (Respondent), alleging one count of Use of, or addiction to the Use of, or Addiction to the Use of Dangerous Drugs, in violation of 46 C.F.R. § 16.201(b) and 46 U.S.C. § 7704(b). The Coast Guard alleged that Respondent failed a chemical test for dangerous drugs, raising the presumption of use.

On March 8, 2023, the parties in this case submitted a Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Entry of Consent Order to be approved as a settlement of the case under 33 C.F.R. § 20.502.

After carefully reviewing the terms of the Settlement Agreement, I find that it is fair, reasonable, and in substantial compliance with the requirements of 33 C.F.R. § 20.502.

<u>ORDER</u>

Upon consideration of the record, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Settlement Agreement is **APPROVED** in full and incorporated herein by reference.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential is REVOKED. However, the revocation is stayed until June 8, 2024, to permit Respondent to complete a rehabilitation program and prove cure in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent complete the terms of the Settlement Agreement prior to the termination of the stay. If Respondent satisfies the requirements, this order will reflect an outright suspension for the period of deposit to permit Respondent to complete and prove cure in accordance with the stipulated order contained in the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall constitute full, final, and complete adjudication of this proceeding.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

HON. GEORGE J. JORDAN UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Done and dated April 21, 2023, at Seattle, WA