IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

V.

A.T.M.I. PRECAST, INC., and
WAUBONSEE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY,
INC.

Defendants.

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CIVIL CTION NO. 7 5 0 5

MAGISTRATE JUDGE BOBRICK
COMPLAINT
JURY TRIAL DEMAND

NATURE OF THE ACTION

This is an action under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq. ("Title VII"), and Title I of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, 42 U.S.C. § 1981a, to correct unlawful employment practices on the basis of national origin and to provide appropriate relief to Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez, David Marin and a class of employees who were adversely affected by such practices. The Commission alleges that Defendants discriminated against Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez, David Marin, and other Hispanic employees on the basis of their national origin by subjecting them to disparate treatment as compared to non-Hispanic employees. The Commission further alleges that Defendants discriminated by taking adverse employment actions against them and otherwise retaliating against them because of their objections to practices made unlawful under Title VII.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This action is brought by the United States Equal Employment Opportunity

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Commission (the "EEOC") to enforce the provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq.

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2. This action is authorized and instituted pursuant to § 706(f)(1), § 706(f)(3), and § 707(a) through (c) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §2000e-5(f)(1) §2000e-5(f)(3), and §2000e-6(a) through (c).

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- 3. This court has jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 451, 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 28 U.S.C. § 1337, 28 U.S.C. § 1343, 28 U.S.C. § 1345, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(f)(3) and 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-6(b).
- 4. The unlawful acts alleged below were and are now being committed within the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiff, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (the "Commission"), is an agency of the United States of America charged with the administration, interpretation and enforcement of Title VII, and is expressly authorized to bring this action by § 706(f)(1), § 707(a) and §707(c) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §2000e-5(f)(1), §2000e-6(a), and §2000e-6(c).
- 6. At all relevant times, Defendant A.T.M.I. Precast, Inc. (hereinafter "ATMI") has continuously been a corporation doing business in the State of Illinois, County of Cook, City of Aurora.
- 7. At all relevant times, Defendant Waubonsee Development Company, Inc. (hereinafter "Waubonsee") has continuously been a corporation doing business in the State of Illinois, County of Cook, City of Aurora.
- 8. At all relevant times, Defendant, ATMI has continuously had at least fifteen (15) employees.

- 9. At all relevant times, Defendant, Waubonsee has continuously had at least fifteen (15) employees.
- 10. At all relevant times, Defendant ATMI has continuously been an employer engaged in an industry affecting commerce within the meaning of Sections 701(b), (g) and (h) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e(b), (g) and (h).
- 11. At all relevant times, Defendant, Waubonsee has continuously been an employer engaged in an industry affecting commerce within the meaning of Sections 701 (b), (g) and (h) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C 2000e(b), (g) and (h).

STATEMENT OF CLAIMS

- 13. More than thirty (30) days prior to the institution of this lawsuit, Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez and David Marin filed charges of discrimination with the Commission alleging violations of Title VII by Defendants (Charge numbers 210983415, 210983480, 210990373 and 210990373, respectively).
- 14. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(f)(1), EEOC's representatives attempted to eliminate the unlawful employment practices alleged below and to effect voluntary compliance with Title VII prior to institution of this lawsuit, but EEOC was unable to secure a conciliation agreement acceptable to the Commission.
 - 15. All conditions precedent to the institution of this lawsuit have been fulfilled.
- 16. From at least 1995 until the present, Defendants have engaged in a pattern and practice of unlawful employment practices at ATMI and Waubonsee in Aurora, Illinois in continuing violation of §703(a) and § 704 (a) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-2(a) and 2000e-3(a). These unlawful employment practices include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) paying a lower salary to Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez and David Marin, and a

class of Hispanic employees, who perform field work for ATMI, compared to non-Hispanics;

(b) requiring Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez and David Marin, and a class of
Hispanic employees to be physically present at the plant on a daily basis to
receive their field assignments which does not allow them to earn union wages
until they go to their assignments, unlike comparable non-Hispanic employees;

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- (c) failing to take immediate and appropriate corrective action in response to complaints or other notice of discrimination on the basis of national origin;
- (d) retaliating against Jose Urbina, and Augustin Gonzalez, for opposing practices made unlawful by Title VII;
- (e) refusing to hire and/or transfer a class of Hispanic ATMI employees to

 Waubonsee in order to receive higher paying wages; and
- (f) causing a class of employees to resign their employment because of continued disparate treatment on the basis of their national origin, thus constructively discharging them.
- 17. The result of the practices complained of above has been to deprive Jose Urbina,
 Augustin Gonzalez, David Marin, and other Hispanic employees of equal employment
 opportunities and otherwise adversely affect their status as employees because of their national origin.
 - 18. The unlawful employment practices complained of above were and are intentional.
- 19. The unlawful employment practices complained of in paragraph 16 were done with malice or with reckless indifference to the federally protected rights of Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez and David Marin, and a class of Hispanic employees.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Commission requests that this Court:

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- A. Grant a permanent injunction enjoining Defendants, their officers, successors, assigns, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, from engaging in any employment practices which discriminate on the basis of national origin or retaliation;
- B. Order Defendants to institute and carry out policies, practices and programs which provide equal employment opportunities for its employees regardless of national origin and for individuals who have opposed practices made unlawful by Title VII, and which eradicate the effects of its unlawful employment practices;
- C. Order Defendants to make whole Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez and David Marin, and a class of Hispanic employees adversely affected by the unlawful practices alleged above by providing appropriate back pay with pre-judgment interest, in amounts to be determined at trial, and other affirmative relief necessary to eradicate the effects of the unlawful employment practices, including but not limited to rightful place reinstatement for a class of employees who were either discharged in retaliation for opposing practices made unlawful by Title VII or who were constructively discharged by Defendants;
- D. Order Defendants to make whole Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez, David Marin and a class of individuals by providing compensation for past and future pecuniary losses resulting from the unlawful employment practices described in paragraph 16, above, in amounts to be determined at trial:
- E. Order Defendants to make whole Jose Urbina, Augustin Gonzalez, and David Marin and a class of individuals by providing compensation for past and future non-pecuniary losses resulting from the unlawful practices complained of in paragraph 16, above, including

emotional pain, humiliation, and inconvenience in amounts to be determined at trial;

E. Order defendants to pay punitive damages for its malicious and reckless conduct described in paragraph 16 above, in amounts to be determined at trial;

- F. Grant such further relief as this Court deems necessary and proper in the public interest; and
 - G. Award the Commission its costs in this action.

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JURY TRIAL DEMAND

The Commission requests a jury trial on all questions of fact raised by the Complaint.

DATED this 28th day of September, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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II. Basis of Jurisdiction:

1. U.S. Gov't Plaintiff

III. Citizenship of Principle Parties (Diversity Cases Only)

Plaintiff:-N/A
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IV. Origin:

1. Original Proceeding

V. Nature of Suit:

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VI.Cause of Action:

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VII. Requested in Complaint

Class Action:
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VIII. This case **IS NOT** a refiling of a previously dismissed case.

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