UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of: Carbon Injection Systems LLC, Scott Forster,))) Docket No. RO	CRA-05-2011-0009
and Eric Lofquist, Respondents.)	M.S. President St. President S
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JOINT STIPULATIONS AS TO EXPERT WITNESS QUALIFICATIONS

Comes now Complainant United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and Respondents Carbon Injection Systems LLC, Scott Forster and Eric Lofquist (hereinafter "Parties"), through counsel, pursuant to the May 22, 2012, Prehearing Conference Call with the Court, and hereby file the instant Joint Stipulations as to Expert Witness Qualifications.

On behalf of the Parties, the undersigned counsels of record for Complainant and Respondents hereby jointly stipulate as follows:

I. Respondents' Stipulations as to the Qualifications of Complainant's Expert Witnesses

Respondents hereby stipulate as follows regarding Complainant's proposed expert witnesses Richard Fruehan, Gail Coad, Francis Awanya, and David Clark:

a. Richard Fruehan

Dr. Fruehan is an expert in the process of steelmaking.

b. Gail Coad

Ms. Coad is an expert in analyzing the financial condition of individuals and businesses.

Ms. Coad is an expert in U.S. EPA's economic benefit model (BEN). Ms. Coad is also an expert

in calculating the economic benefit which has accrued to a business and/or individual as a result of violating the law.

c. Francis Awanya

Mr. Awanya is an expert in determining the flashpoint of materials and determining the carbon content of materials.

d. David Clark

Mr. Clark is an expert in organic chemical manufacturing and chemical process engineering.

II. Complainant's Stipulations as to the Qualifications of Respondents' Expert Witnesses

Complainant hereby stipulate as follows regarding Respondents' proposed expert witnesses Bruce Sass, Christopher McClure, Joseph Poveromo, Frederick Rorick, Joseph Prementine, Keith Klodnick:

a. Bruce M. Sass, Ph.D.

Dr. Sass is an expert in analytical and physical chemistry and the properties of organic and inorganic materials, including the chemistry of terpenes.

b. Christopher McClure, CPA

Christopher McClure is a Certified Public Accountant and is an expert in analyzing the financial condition of businesses. He is also an expert in applying the EPA "BEN" model to assess economic benefit in the context of civil penalties and analyzing calculations performed using this model.

c. Joseph J. Poveromo, Ph.D.

Dr. Poveromo is an expert in the field of ironmaking, including specifically the effect on blast furnace performance and economics (i.e., production, hot metal cost, and hot metal quality) of various materials, including the components of the burden, coal mix changes and coke properties, various additives, and injectants (including natural gas, oil, tar and coal). Dr. Poveromo's expertise includes the related areas of blast furnace design and practice, and alternative ironmaking and direct reduction, including process assessment, economic analysis and the impact of raw material properties on process economics.

d. Frederick J. Rorick

Mr. Rorick is an expert in the field of ironmaking, including specifically blast furnace operations and the use of various types of injected reductants and their effect on operations. Mr. Rorick also is an expert on blast furnace design, including both equipment and technical aspects and blast furnace process analysis and optimization.

e. Joseph Prementine

Mr. Prementine is an expert in the area of the construction and maintenance of piping systems.

f. Keith D. Klodnick, CPA

Keith D. Klodnick, is a Certified Public Accountant and is an expert in the area of financial accounting.

III. Effect of Stipulations

Complainant and Respondents hereby stipulate that each of the above-named witnesses is an expert in their field as described, and that each such expert witness may testify to opinions within their respective area of expertise. Nothing in this stipulation shall preclude any party from questioning any witness regarding the depth of their qualifications, as such testimony may be relevant to specific opinions offered in the case, including the weight to be given to such opinions. The parties wish to highlight for the Court that they were unable to

stipulate to all qualifications of the above-referenced witnesses. Additionally, the parties were unable to stipulate to the expert witness qualifications of all expert witnesses expected to be offered at trial. Therefore, at hearing the parties expect to tender some of the above-referenced witnesses as experts in additional areas of expertise, and the parties expect to tender additional expert witnesses.

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I, Lawrence W. Falbe, an attorney, hereby certify that the foregoing Joint Stipulation as to Expert Witness Qualifications was sent on June 13, 2012, in the manner indicated, to the following:

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