BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BO UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WASHINGTON, D.C.

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In re:)	
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Elementis Chromium, Inc.)	TSCA Appeal No. 13-03
f/k/a Elementis Chromium, L.P.,)	
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Docket No. TSCA-HQ-2010-5022)) ·	

CORRECTED ORDER REQUIRING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

In preparation for the upcoming oral argument, currently scheduled for October 30, 2014, the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") expects the parties to be prepared to address questions related to all the issues currently briefed in their pleadings. The Board, however, is particularly interested in the statute of limitations issue that Elementis Chromium, Inc. ("Elementis") has raised. In their briefs, the parties focus on the applicability of the continuing violation exception to the statute of limitations in 28 U.S.C. § 2462. The Board requests that the parties be prepared to address the statute of limitations issue also in light of the language of section 16(a)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA") that provides that "[e]ach day ** * a violation continues shall, for the purposes of this subsection, constitute a separate violation of section 2614 or 2689 of this title." TSCA § 16(a)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(1). More specifically, be prepared to:

1. Explain the relevance, if any, of the continuing violation exception to the statute of limitations in 28 U.S.C. § 2462 to determining whether "a violation continues" under TSCA section 16(a)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2615(a)(1).

2. Address section 16(a)(1)'s designation that each day that a violation continues is a "separate violation." Specifically, explain whether, in order to recover penalties in this case, the Agency is required to demonstrate that the continuing violation exception to the statute of limitations applies, or whether section 16(a)(1)'s "separate violations" language on its own authorizes the Agency to recover penalties for violations.

3. Address the following scenario: If the Board were to conclude that Elementis' failure to submit to the EPA Administrator the epidemiology study in question here constitutes a series of separate violations, for what period would Elementis be liable for per day penalties? For example, would Elementis be liable only for the five year period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint (as adjusted by the tolling agreement); or, would Elementis also be liable for violations that occurred outside this five year window based on the continuing violation exception to the statute of limitations in 28 U.S.C. § 2462? *See CSC Holdings, Inc. v. Redisi*, 309 F.3d 988, 992 (7th Cir. 2002).

The parties are also required to submit additional briefing addressing these questions and any other unanswered questions that may surface during oral argument. These briefs must be filed no later than Monday, November 10, 2014.

So Ordered.1

Dated:

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

By: Pasta m. Frase

Kathie A. Stein Environmental Appeals Judge

Ocroper 9, 2014

¹ The two-member panel deciding this matter is composed of Leslye M. Fraser and Kathie A. Stein.

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