## BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

## IN THE MATTER OF:

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Walton CWCA Golden West 70 LLC, Petitioner

Petition for Reimbursement Under Section 106(b)(2) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9606(b)(2)

## JOINT MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS AND EXTEND PERIOD FOR UNITED STATES RESPONSE

EAB Docket No. CERCLA 106(b) 08-03

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Appeals Board 12 ("EAB") has established that the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX 13 ("Respondent," or "EPA") must, prior to February 17, 2009, provide any substantive response to 14 the Petition for Reimbursement Under Section 106(b)(2) of the Comprehensive Environmental 15 Response, Compensation and Liability Act (the "Petition for Reimbursement") filed by Walton 16 CWCA Golden West 70 LLC ("Petitioner"). The Parties hereby jointly request that the EAB stay 17 proceedings on the Petition and postpone all dates required by its December 12, 2008 Notice of 18 the Petition for Reimbursement, for a period of two months. 19

The justification for the requested stay of proceedings is that the Parties have commenced active settlement discussions, and are continuing such discussions. Although settlement has not yet been reached, Petitioner and Respondent have begun memorializing significant terms in an administrative settlement agreement. The Parties hereby request the two-month extension to engage in further negotiations that would resolve the Petition for Reimbursement and related liabilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9601 *et seq.* 

Accordingly, the Parties hereby jointly move the EAB to order the following:
1. A Stay of proceedings on the Petition for Reimbursement until April 17, 2009, or

| 1  | further notice from the EAB.   |  |  |
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| 2  | 2. That Respondent shall make any substantive response to the Petition for           |  |  |
| 3  | Reimbursement on or before April 17, 2009.   |  |  |
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