



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

January 8, 2008

Honorable Susan L. Biro
Chief Administrative Law Judge
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Mail Code 1900L
Washington, D.C. 20460

RE: **VALIMET, INC.**
DOCKET NUMBER EPCRA-09-2007-0021
Complaint Filed: 09/24/2007
Proposed Penalty: Up to \$27,500 per day

Dear Judge Biro:

Pursuant to Section 22.21(a) of the Consolidated Rules of practice (40 C.F.R. Part 22), the above captioned matter is hereby referred to you for assignment of an Administrative Law Judge. In accordance therewith, a copy of EPA's Complaint, a copy of Respondent's Answer, and all subsequent documents are enclosed.

Respondent is represented by:

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Very truly yours,

Danielle E. Carr
Regional Hearing Clerk

cc: I. Lieben
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