

UNITED STATES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

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In the Matter of:

The GEO Group, Inc.,

Respondent.

Docket Number:

FIFRA-09-2024-0066

SECOND REPORT RECOMMENDING CONTINUATION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

The Order by Chief Administrative Law Judge Biro, dated November 13, 2024, that initiated this alternative dispute resolution ("ADR") process provided for a termination date of January 13, 2025. The Report Recommending Continuation of the ADR process, until February 14, 2025, was approved because the parties' negotiations have been ongoing. Throughout this ADR process, multiple conferences have been held as the parties continue to work toward a resolution of this matter. Continuation of the ADR process for approximately 30 additional days, until March 21, 2025, is recommended because the parties will benefit from additional time to continue negotiations and to determine if settlement can be achieved. If this continuation request is approved, an additional conference with the parties will be conducted on March 3, 2025. I will continue to serve as a Neutral in this case, unless otherwise directed by Chief Administrative Law Judge Biro.

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Christine D. Coughlin Administrative Law Judge Dated: February 5, 2025

Approved:

Susan L. Biro Chief Administrative Law Judge Dated: February 5, 2025 In the Matter of *The GEO Group, Inc.,* Respondent. Docket No. FIFRA-09-2024-0066

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Second Report Recommending Continuation of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process, dated February 5, 2025, was sent this day to the following parties in the manner indicated below.

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