



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of: )
GLOBAL SHIPPING, LLC and ) Docket No. TSCA-09-2008-0003
GLOBAL MARKETING SYSTEMS, INC., )
Respondent. )

INITIAL PREHEARING ORDER

As you have been previously notified, I am designated to preside over this proceeding. This proceeding will be governed by the applicable statute(s) as well as the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation or Suspension of Permits (the "Rules of Practice") (40 C.F.R. Part 22). The parties are advised to familiarize themselves with both the applicable statute(s) and the Rules.

This case was initiated approximately six months ago, on March 18, 2008. The record indicates that the parties were offered and accepted the opportunity to participate in this Tribunal's alternative dispute resolution process and did so starting on May 19, 2008. After four months, on September June 26, 2008, the Neutral Judge terminated the Alternative Dispute Resolution Process in this case and reported that the parties were in the process of retaining the services of an external mediator to assist them in reaching an amicable and expeditious resolution of this matter. Therefore, as a courtesy to the parties, the proceedings in this matter are hereby STAYED for a period of two months, until December 1, 2008, to give the parties an opportunity to settle this matter through such mediator. The Complainant is hereby Ordered to file a Status Report as to the parties retention of such mediator and progress towards settlement on or before September 30, 2008 and by the 30th day of each month thereafter.

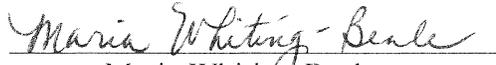
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Susan L. Biro
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: September 22, 2008
Washington, D.C.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing **Initial Prehearing Order**, dated September 22, 2008, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below.



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