

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

In re:

Land O'Lakes, Inc. (Hudson Oil Refinery Superfund Site) | CERCLA § 106(b) Petition No. 15-01

Docket No. 06-16-08

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Environmental Appeals Board's ("Board") January 19, 2021 Sixth Order Continuing Stay of Proceedings and Requiring Additional Status Reports in this matter, the parties, by and through their counsel, respectfully provide this twenty-fifth Joint Status Report.

Since the filing of the twenty-fourth Joint Status Report on July 1, 2021, the parties reached a settlement agreement in the Cost Recovery Case:

On August 9, 2021, the parties notified the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma that the parties had reached a settlement agreement and memorialized the terms in a Consent Decree. The parties advised the court that they anticipated lodging the Consent Decree within three to four weeks, allowing time for approval by authorized U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency officials; and advised that once the Consent Decree has been lodged, it will be subject to a 30-day public notice and comment period.

On August 11, 2021, the United States District Court for the Western District entered an Administrative Closing Order (*see Exhibit 1*) administratively terminating the Cost

Recovery Case without prejudice to the rights of the parties to reopen the proceeding for good cause shown, for the entry of any stipulation or order, or for any other purpose required to obtain a final determination of the litigation. Pursuant to the Administrative Closing Order, if the parties have not reopened the case within 60 days of August 11, 2021 for the purpose of dismissal pursuant to the settlement compromise, Plaintiff's action shall be deemed dismissed with prejudice.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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