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BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of)	HE ARING CLERK
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Merit Energy Company)	Docket No. CWA-08-2007-0027
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Respondent)	

ORDER TERMINATING ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS AND REQUESTING ASSIGNMENT OF CASE TO LITIGATION

On November 15, 2007 an Order was issued initiating the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR), process and appointing the undersigned as a neutral. The Order provided that unless terminated earlier at the request of either party, the ADR process would terminate on January 14, 2008.

EPA advises that the parties reached a settlement on January 17, 2008 but that it needs until February 29, 2008 to provide a fully executed CAFO. Accordingly, the ADR process is terminated and the case will be returned to the Chief Administrative Law Judge.

William B. Moran

United States Administrative Law Judge

Dated: January 28, 2008 Washington, DC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the **Order Terminating Alternative Dispute Resolution,** dated January 28, 2008 was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below:

January 28, 2008 Washington, DC

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