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MEMORANDUM

 SUBJECT:
 In the Matter of Samson Resources Company

 Docket No. CWA-08-2015-00XX
 CWA-08-2015-0027

 Combined Complaint and Consent Agreement

FROM:Jim Eppers, Supervisory AttorneyJHELegal Enforcement ProgramOffice of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

Gwen Campbell, Unit Chief GCC NPDES Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

TO: Honorable Elyana R. Sutin, Regional Judicial Officer

With this memorandum, the Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice (ECEJ) is transmitting a combined complaint and consent agreement (CCCA) in the above-referenced matter. We request that you issue a final order approving it, subject to the public notice and comment provisions described below.

The EPA has taken this action under the authority of section 309(g)(1)(A) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(1)(A). In the CCCA, the EPA alleges that Samson Resources Company (Samson) discharged approximately 15 barrels of produced water, a pollutant, into waters of the United States without a CWA permit. Upon consideration of the factors set forth in section 309(g)(3) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(3), EPA has determined that a civil penalty of \$12,100.00 is appropriate to settle this matter. The proposed settlement is consistent with applicable settlement penalty policies.

The EPA issued a public notice of this proposed settlement on September 15, 2015, pursuant to section 309(g)(4) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4). ECEJ requests that you defer signature on any final order to allow for ECEJ to address any comments that may have been submitted during the public comment period. ECEJ will notify you when the public comment period has closed.

Samson is represented by Michael Brown, Samson Resources, Two West Second Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103. His telephone number is (918) 591-1090, and his email address is michaelb@samson.com.

The EPA attorney for this matter is Abigail Dean, Enforcement Attorney, at (303) 312-6106.

