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IN THE MATTER OF:

PARKER SOLVENTS COMPANY, INC.

RESPONDENT

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DOCKET NO. RCRA-06-2020-0945

FOURTH JOINT MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR CONDUCT OF HEARING

Respondent Parker Solvents Company, Inc., received on March 30, 2021, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") Initial Administrative Order in this matter. On April 21, 2021, EPA received Respondent's Response to Initial Administrative Order and Request for Hearing. On May 11, 2021, the Regional Judicial Officer ("RJO") granted Respondent's and EPA's ("the Parties") first Motion to Extend Time for Conduct of Hearing ("First Joint Motion") until July 12, 2021, to provide a period for good faith settlement negotiations. On July 12, 2021, the RJO then granted the Parties' second Motion to Extend Time for Conduct of Hearing ("Second Joint Motion") until October 12, 2021. The parties then filed a third Motion to Extend, which was granted on October 7, 2021, until January 12, 2022.

While the Parties made every effort to reach a timely resolution before January 12, 2022, the terms of a Final Order cannot be finalized until groundwater sampling is conducted in the area surrounding the facility, and a final sampling report that will show the extent of contamination is obtained by the Parties. Unfortunately, due to extenuating circumstances including delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the groundwater sampling event was not performed at the site until November 12, 2021. As of February 4, 2022, the Parties have not received the final sampling report, however

the final sampling report is expected in the coming days. Once the final sampling report is complete, the Parties are committed to negotiating a timely settlement. As such, the Parties wish to continue in settlement negotiations and request a 90-day extension in order to provide an extended period for good faith settlement negotiations.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 10, 2022, the original and one copy of the foregoing Joint Motion to Extend Time for Conduct of Hearing (“Joint Motion”) was sent to the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75270-2102.



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