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IN THE MATTER OF:

STATUS REPORT

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BERTSCHINGER OIL CO. Seminole County, Oklahoma

Proceeding to Assess Class I Civil Penalty Clean Water Act Section 311 for

SPCC Violation

Respondent.

Docket No. CWA-06-2009-4808

COMPLAINANT'S STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Regional Judicial Officer's Order, dated March 22, 2010, Complainant files this Status Report in the above matter and states as follows:

Complainant heard from Respondent for the first time on April 8, 2010. Complainant intends to file a motion for default by May 31, 2010. Prior to the filing of the Complainant, Bryant Smalley, Region 6 Oil Pollution Act Enforcement Officer, attempted to contact Respondent by telephone on various occasions and was unable to solicit a response. On April 8, 2010, Bryant Smalley finally contacted by telephone Mr. Richard Bertschinger, of Bertschinger Oil Co. Based on Respondent's prior unresponsiveness and the April 8, 2010 telephone conversation, settlement appears highly unlikely.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 4/13/10

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of Complainant's Status Report was mailed on April 13, 2010, by regular First Class U.S. Mail to the following:

Mr. Richard O. Bertschinger Bertschinger Oil Co. 6417 Grandmark Drive Nichols Hills, OK 73116-6534

Date: April 13, 2010

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