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Honorable William B. Moran Administrative Law Judge U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW/Mail Code 1900L Washington, D.C. 20460

Re:

In the Matter of William Gepford

Docket No.: CWA-07-2006-0057

Status Report

Dear Judge Moran:

The following is a status report provided as per your Order dated November 13, 2006. Counsel for Mr. Gepford has reviewed this status report and has no objections.

- The parties had negotiated and agreed on the language of a Consent Agreement in the matter.
- The parties had also negotiated and agreed on the language of an Administrative Compliance Order on Consent for mitigation/restoration work relating to the alleged violations.
- Both documents were signed by the Respondent and by EPA.
- The Consent Agreement and Final Order was forwarded to the Regional Judicial Officer for his concurrence.

The Regional Judicial Officer raised some valid concerns with language in the Consent Agreement indicating modifications were necessary. The modifications are being made and the documents will have to be resigned by both parties. We hope to complete the process in the next few weeks. The Parties do not believe it necessary to set the case for hearing and will provide the fully executed consent agreement as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Steven L. Sanders

Assistant Regional Counsel

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the date noted below I hand-delivered the original and one true copy of this Complainant's Status Report to the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

I further certify that on the date below I sent a true and correct copy of this Complainant's Status Report Exchange, by facsimile and first-class U.S. Mail to:

> The Honorable William B. Moran Administrative Law Judge Office of Administrative Law Judges U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Mail Code 1900L 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460 202-565-0044 (fax)

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