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IN THE MATTER OF:)
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Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corp., U.S.A.)
6600 NW 27 th Street)
Lincoln, Nebraska 68524)
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EPA ID No. NED068652981)
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Respondent.)
)
Proceeding under Section 3008(a) and (g) of)
the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act)
as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a) and (g).)
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Docket No. RCRA-07-2006-0262

STATUS REPORT

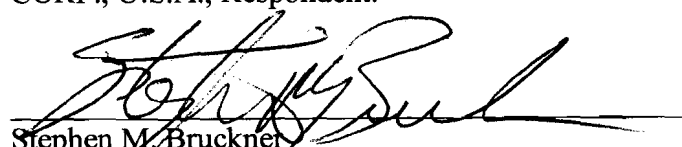
Respondent, Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corp., U.S.A. ("Respondent"), submits this status report in response to the Regional Judicial Officer's order of October 31, 2006 Respondent has conferred with counsel for the Complainant regarding the content of this status report and has been informed that Complainant has no objection to the report.

On November 20, 2006, representatives of the Respondent and Complainant met for a settlement conference. During this conference, the parties discussed the alleged violations and proposed penalties set forth in the Complaint. Respondent provided information responding to the alleged violations. At the conclusion of the conference, Complainant requested that Respondent provide additional information on the solvent recovery system located at its Lincoln, Nebraska plant. On December 12, 2006, Respondent provided a Power Point presentation, including photographs, that depicts and details the operation of the solvent recovery system. Complainant is in the process of evaluating this additional information so as to better understand Respondent's position. The parties report that settlement negotiations have been productive and that they intend to continue such discussion with the goal of resolving this matter.

Dated this 13th day of December, 2006.

KAWASAKI MOTORS MANUFACTURING
CORP., U.S.A., Respondent.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that an original and one true and correct copy of the foregoing Status Report was sent by facsimile and First Class United States mail, postage prepaid, this 13th day of December, 2006, to:

Facsimile: 913-551-7066
Kathy Robinson
Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. EPA, Region VII
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And I also certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Status Report was sent by electronic mail and First Class United States mail, postage prepaid, this 13th day of December, 2006, to:

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