# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Region 2

In the Matter of: Andrew B. Chase, a/k/a Andy Chase, Chase Services, Inc., Chase Convenience Stores, Inc., and Chase Commercial Land Development, Inc.,

Respondents.

Proceeding Under Section 9006 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended.

### Hon. M. Lisa Buschmann, Presiding Officer

Docket No. RCRA-02-2011-7503-0

## JULY 2<sup>ND</sup> STATUS REPORT

Complainant in this proceeding, the Director of the Division of Enforcement a Compliance Assistance, EPA, Region 2 (EPA or Agency), through her attorney, herewith provides the following status report pursuant to the "ORDER ON COMPLAINANT'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL ACCELERATED DECISION," paragraph 4 on page 27.

Settlement discussions between the parties are continuing; communications remain ongoing. Most recently, on June 25<sup>th</sup>, Respondents' counsel communicated to the undersigned. EPA has responded with two e-mails, one on June 26<sup>th</sup>, a follow-up on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. The substance of these communications includes the tender of an offer and, in response thereto, reiterations of prior requests for submission of documentation needed for acceptance thereof. While no settlement to date has been reached, the parties are in good faith continuing in their efforts to do so.

Complainant further wishes to note: EPA will not at the upcoming hearing pursue or seek to obtain a judgment of liability or penalty for counts 17 and 20 of the complaint.

### Dated: July 2, 2012 New York, New York

Respectfully submitted, Lee A. Spielmann

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day caused to be sent the foregoing "JULY 2<sup>ND</sup> STATUS REPORT," dated July 2, 2012, in the above-referenced proceeding in the following manner to the respective addressees listed below:

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