UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 7 11201 RENNER BOULEVARD LENEXA, KANSAS 66219 BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN THE MATTER OF)
ADAMAS CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, PLLC) COMPLAINANT'S MOTION FOR) EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE) REBUTTAL PREHEARING) EXCHANGE
AND)
NATHAN PIERCE,	
Respondents)) Docket No. CWA-07-2019-0262
Proceedings under Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g))

COMPLAINANT'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REBUTTAL PREHEARING EXCHANGE

COMES NOW, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA" or

"Complainant"), pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative

Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits, 40

C.F.R. §§ 22.1 to 22.45 and submits this Motion for Extension of Time to File Rebuttal

Prehearing Exchange.

1. Complainant requests an extension of time to February 28, 2020, to file its

Rebuttal Prehearing Exchange. The January 2, 2020, Order requires Complainant to submit its

Rebuttal Prehearing Exchange by February 7, 2020.

2. Respondents' Prehearing Exchange was due on January 24, 2020. Respondent did file their Prehearing Exchange with the Court; however, Respondents failed to serve Complainant by either regular mail or electronic mail, despite having included a certificate of service with the Prehearing Exchange signed by Respondents' counsel stating that such service was completed.

3. After determining that certain documents filed by Complainant were not included in the Administrative Law Judges' E-Docket Database, Complainant called the Hearing Clerk on January 30, 2020, to ask questions regarding the docket for this case. On February 4, 2020, Complainant was informed by the Hearing Clerk that Respondents filed their Prehearing Exchange. The document was posted on the Administrative Law Judges' E-Docket Database on February 4, 2020. On February 4, 2020, Complainant accessed the narrative portion of Respondents' Prehearing Exchange via the database, but is unable to view the exhibits.

4. Complainant immediately emailed Respondents and Respondents' counsel and requested that service be completed and that the exhibits referenced in the Prehearing Exchange be sent immediately. Exhibit 1.

5. For the reasons stated above, Complainant requests an extension of time to file its Rebuttal Prehearing Exchange to February 28, 2020. Complainant notes that until it receives all the exhibits filed as part of Respondents' Prehearing Exchange, it will be unable to fully evaluate the Respondents' claims. Complainant reserves its right to ask for additional extensions of time if Respondents' do not timely correct their error.

6. Complainant conferred with Respondents and Respondents' counsel, and they do not object to an extension of time. Exhibit 1.

7. A hearing date has not been set for this matter. This extension of time will not prejudice either party.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 5th day of February 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Complainant's Motion for Extension of Time to File a Rebuttal Prehearing Exchange, Docket No. CWA-07-2019-0262, has been submitted electronically using the OALJ E-Filing System.

A copy was sent by email and postal mail to:

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