



UNITED STATES  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of: )  
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Thomas Petroleum, LLC and ) Docket No. EPCRA-06-2019-0501  
Pilot Thomas Logistics, LLC, )  
 )  
Respondents. )

**REPORT RECOMMENDING CONTINUATION  
OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS**

The Order Initiating Alternative Dispute Resolution Process and Appointing Neutral issued on April 1, 2020, provides that the alternative dispute resolution (“ADR”) process in this proceeding shall automatically terminate on June 1, 2020, but that an extension of up to 60 days may be granted. On May 28, 2020, the parties filed a Joint Motion Requesting Extension of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process, in which the parties represent that they have “productively engaged in negotiations during this ADR period” and that they “would like the opportunity to fully engage in the ADR process” based on their belief that “the neutral may assist in reaching a settlement.” The parties also stated that they understand that no further extensions will be granted and that the guidelines in the April 1, 2020 Order are still in effect.

Given these representations, the recommendation of this Report is that the ADR process be continued for 60 days, until August 3, 2020. I will continue to serve as a Neutral in this case and will file another report by August 3, 2020, unless a settlement has been reached.

  
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Susan L. Biro  
Chief Administrative Law Judge  
Dated: June 1, 2020

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Report Recommending Continuation of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process**, dated June 1, 2020, and issued by Chief Administrative Law Judge Susan L. Biro, was sent this day to the following parties in the manner indicated below.



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