UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

In the matter of)	U.S. EPA Docket No.
)	RCRA 09-2015-0011
CLEAN HARBORS)	
BUTTONWILLOW, L.L.C.,)	SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE
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Respondent.	_)	

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE STATUS REPORT

- 1. Complainant, EPA, in the above-captioned matter, on behalf of the parties, hereby submits this Settlement Conference Status Report in response to Judge Biro's Prehearing Order dated December 16, 2015.
- 2. On December 22, 2015, the parties initiated settlement discussions through each of their respective attorneys appearing on behalf of the parties in this matter. These attorney-to-attorney discussions continued on January 11, 2016, with some representatives from Respondent participating, and again on January 13, 2016, with a representative of the Complainant participating.
- 3. The parties are in agreement that the discussions described in paragraph 2, above, were productive. However, further discussions will be required if an agreement-in-principle is to be reached and the final language of any proposed settlement agreement negotiated.

- 4. Complainant is currently awaiting information from the Respondent that will enable it to better assess the likelihood of a mutually-agreeable settlement in this matter.
- 5. The parties intend to continue settlement discussions as expeditiously as possible.
- 6. Counsel for Respondent has received a copy of this Status Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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