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### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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December 16, 2014

Honorable M. Lisa Buschmann Administrative Law Judge U. S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20460

Re: New Jersey Department of Corrections

Docket No. RCRA-02-2013-7102

## Dear Judge Buschmann:

Please be advised that the parties are nearing a final resolution of the above-captioned matter. Respondent has signed the Consent Agreement and Final Order and the undersigned has placed the CAFO into final concurrence for senior EPA regional management to review and execute.

I expect to be able to submit the fully executed CAFO by your Honor's December 19, 2014 deadline for filing Complainant's pre-hearing exchange. If for some reason it becomes clear that the CAFO cannot be filed by such deadline, I will so inform the Court. I do not expect that to happen.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl R. Howard

**Assistant Regional Counsel** 

cc: Melinda S. Haley, Esq., for Respondent

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have this day caused (or am causing) to be sent the foregoing status report to the following addressees listed herein in the manner listed below:

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Electronic Filing: Honorable M. Lisa Buschmann

Via: epa.gov/oalj

Copy by Regular Mail (and courtesy electronic copy) to Attorney for Respondent:

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December 16, 2014 Date