

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN THE MATTER OF

DUVALL DEVELOPMENT CO., INC.,) JEFFREY H. DUVALL,) DOCKET NO. CWA-04-2010-5505 DUVALL & SON LIVESTOCK, INC.,) AND LOUIS STEVE DUVALL, SR.) RESPONDENTS)

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ORDER ON JOINT MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

On May 25, 2011, Complainant filed the Amended Administrative Complaint in this matter, which added two parties to this action: Respondent Duvall & Son Livestock, Inc., and Respondent Louis Steve Duvall, Sr. ("Steve Duvall"). On June 27, 2011, the undersigned issued an Amended Prehearing Order ("Amended PHO"), reminding the parties that the hearing remained scheduled to commence on August 23, 2011. The undersigned instructed the parties to file Supplemental Prehearing Exchanges ("PHE") in accordance with the timeline set forth in the Amended PHO. Complainant filed its Supplemental PHE on July 11, 2011.

On July 19, 2011, the parties submitted a Joint Motion for Continuance ("Motion") due to the death of Respondent Steve Duvall on July 13, 2011. The parties indicate that they are close to settlement, but request postponement of the hearing and intervening deadlines to allow for the exigencies of Respondent Steve Duvall's passing and additional time to conclude settlement negotiations.

The undersigned acknowledges the difficulty that can result from such unexpected events and will allow the parties additional time to conclude negotiations and submit a Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO"). The parties are nevertheless reminded that this case has been pending for over a year, with two postponements of the hearing date, and it cannot bear additional significant delay.

For good cause shown, the Motion for Continuance is **GRANTED**. The hearing date is hereby **POSTPONED**. The Regional Hearing Clerk shall cancel the pending arrangements. Subsequent deadlines in the Amended PHO are **SUSPENDED** for six (6) weeks. The parties shall submit a joint status report on or before **September 1**, 2011. If no CAFO has been filed, Respondent's Supplemental PHE shall be due on or before **September 16, 2011**. At that time, the hearing date will be reset.

The information or documents required by this Order to be sent to the Presiding Judge, as well as any other further filings, shall be addressed as follows:

> If filing by United State Postal Service (USPS): EPA Office of Administrative Law Judges 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Mail Code 1900L Washington, DC 20460

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Barbara A. Gunning Administrative Law Judge

Dated: July 20, 2011 Washington, D.C. In the Matter of Jeffrey H. Duvall, Duvall Development Co., Inc., Louis Steve Duvall, Sr., and Duvall & Son Livestock, Inc., Docket No. CWA-04-2010-5505

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true copies of the foregoing **Order on Joint Motion for Continuance**, dated July 20, 2011, issued by Barbara Gunning, Administrative Law Judge, were sent this 20th day of July 2011, in the following manner to the addressees listed below.

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Dated: July 20, 2011 Washington, DC