

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of:	)	
ISP Freetown Fine Chemicals, Inc.,	)	Docket No. RCRA-01-2018-0062
Respondent.	)	

#### ORDER ON RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On September 26, 2018, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, ("Agency") initiated this proceeding by filing a Complaint against Respondent under Section 3008(a) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a).

The Agency filed an Amended Complaint on June 7, 2019. On June 26, 2019, Respondent filed an Answer to the Amended Complaint along with a Motion to Dismiss Counts Two through Eight. The case was transferred by the Regional Hearing Clerk from Region 1 to this Tribunal on July 1, 2019. The Agency filed a response to the Motion to Dismiss on July 29, 2019, as well as a Motion to Strike the Third and Sixteenth Defenses from Respondent's Answer.

On July 29, 2019, Respondent filed the pending Motion for Extension of Time to respond to the Agency's Motion to Strike and to submit a reply brief in support of the Motion to Dismiss. Respondent states that it needs additional time to address the complexity of the legal issues raised and that the Agency consents to the extension.

This Tribunal "may grant an extension of time for filing any document: upon timely motion of a party to the proceeding, for good cause shown, and after consideration of prejudice to other parties; or upon its own initiative." 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b).

In this case, I find there is good cause for an extension of time. Consequently, Respondent's Motion for Extension of Time is **GRANTED**. Respondent has through **August 23, 2019**, to file a response to the Agency's Motion to Strike and a reply in support of its Motion to Dismiss. The Agency may file a reply brief in support of its Motion to Strike within **10 days** of being served with the response.

## SO ORDERED.

Susan L. Biro

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: July 30, 2019 Washington, D.C.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Order on Respondent's Motion for Extension of Time**, dated July 30, 2019, 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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