## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

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CITY OF POLSON, MONTANA,	)
	) DOCKET NO. CWA-08-2012-0035
Respondent	)

### REPORT RECOMMENDING CONTINUATION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

The Chief Administrative Law Judge's Order of November 29, 2012 provides that this alternative dispute resolution (ADR) process terminates on January 28, 2013. The recommendation of this Report is that the ADR process be continued for another two months, to March 28, 2013.

This continuation of the ADR process is recommended because the initial settlement conference was delayed by the holidays in December and January, the parties are engaging in ongoing settlement negotiations, and the undersigned will be on travel in February and early March. Furthermore, Counsel for Complainant requested an extension of the ADR period, and the parties' chances of achieving a settlement are sufficient to justify the requested continuation.

Accordingly, the undersigned will continue to work as a Neutral in this case and will file another report with the Chief Administrative Law Judge by March 28, 2013, unless otherwise directed by her.

M. Lisa Buschmann Administrative Law Judge

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Dated: February 1, 2013

Approved:

Sugan I. Biro

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: 2/1/3

# <u>In the Matter of City Of Polson, Montana,</u> Respondent Docket No. CWA-08-2012-0035

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing **Report Recommending Continuation of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process**, dated February 1, 2013, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below.

Knolyn R. Jones Legal Staff Assistant

Dated: February 1, 2013

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