

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	DOCKET NUMBER
ISP Freetown Fine Chemicals, Inc.,	)	RCRA-01-2018-0062
Respondent.	)	

# REPORT RECOMMENDING TERMINATION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS AND ASSIGNMENT OF A JUDGE FOR LITIGATION

The Chief Administrative Law Judge's order of February 10, 2020 that initiated this alternative dispute resolution ("ADR") process provided for a termination date of April 10, 2020. Recommendations were made and approved on April 9, 2020 and June 20, 2020 that extended the ADR process, most recently until July 10, 202020. The parties have utilized the maximum amount of time afforded in our ADR process in an effort to achieve settlement in this matter. While negotiations have been productive, settlement has not been reached. Accordingly, it is my recommendation to terminate the ADR process and assign the case to a Judge for resolution through litigation.

The parties are encouraged to continue settlement discussions, on their own and as they deem appropriate, should they desire resolution of this matter through settlement. I appreciate and thank the parties for the professionalism and courtesy they demonstrated throughout the ADR process

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Approved:

Susan L. Biro

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: July 13, 2020

Washington, D.C.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Report Recommending Termination of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process and Assignment of a Judge for Litigation**, dated July 13, 2020, and issued by Supervisory Attorney Advisor Michael B. Wright, was sent this day to the following parties in the manner indicated below.

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