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**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 9**

IN THE MATTER OF:)	DOCKET NO. OPA 09-2018-00002
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VSS International, Inc.)	COMPLAINANT'S PRELIMINARY
)	STATEMENT
Sacramento, California,)	
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Respondent.)	
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Proceedings under Section 311(b)(6) of the)	
Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6).)	

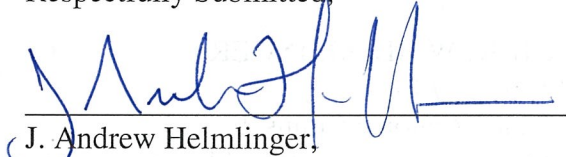
Complainant, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 (“EPA”), submits this Preliminary Statement as required in the April 20, 2018 Prehearing Order for this matter. In accordance with the Prehearing Order, Complaint:

1. Prefers the location of the hearing to be in San Francisco, California. The parties have discussed that this location is reasonable and convenient for the parties and any witnesses, and generally is proximate to the circumstances of the allegations;
2. Complainant consents to service in this matter solely by electronic mail;
3. For service in this matter, please direct documents to:

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Dated: May 8, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,



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