## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

## IN THE MATTER OF:

Bluestone Coke, LLC 3500 35th Avenue North Birmingham, Alabama 35207

Respondent.

Proceeding under Section 3008(a) and (h) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by, inter alia, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6928(a) and (h) Docket No. RCRA-04-2023-2106

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Presiding Officer's Prehearing Order of July 11, 2024, Complainant, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 (EPA), and Respondent, Bluestone Coke, LLC, by and through the undersigned, jointly submit this Status Report following a settlement conference the parties jointly held on Thursday, July 25, 2024. The parties have not reached an agreement to settle this matter at this time, though settlement negotiations are ongoing. In the interim, the parties will also continue to prepare for a hearing.

Dated: August 2, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Redleaf Durbin Senior Attorney RCRA/FIFRA/TSCA Law Office U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

and 

James V. Seal Counsel for Bluestone Coke, LLC

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that on August 2, 2024, I electronically filed the foregoing **JOINT STATUS REPORT** with the Clerk of the Office of Administrative Law Judges using the OALJ E-Filing System and sent it by electronic mail to James V. Seal and Ron Hatfield, attorneys for Respondent, at James.Seal@bluestone-coal.com and Ron.Hatfield@bluestone-coal.com.

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