UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of

CROP PROTECTION PROGRAM, OFFICE) DOCKET NO. FIFRA-02-2008-5301 OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICIOS AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION,

Respondent

REPORT RECOMMENDING CONTINUATION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

The Report approved March 18, 2009 provides that this alternative dispute resolution (ADR) process terminates April 23, 2009. The recommendation of this Report is that the ADR process be continued for a final month, to May 23, 2009.

This continuation of the ADR process is recommended because the parties' negotiations have developed the possibility of a settlement, but additional time is needed if a settlement is to be actually concluded. In a conference call on April 16, 2009 the parties agreed that the ADR process should be continued.

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 May 23, 2009 unless otherwise directed by her.

Barbara A. Gunning Administrative Law Judge

Dated: April 16, 2009

Approved:

Chief Administrative Law Judge

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Dated:

In the ADR Matter of Crop Protection Program, Office of the Agricultural Servicios and Development Administration, Respondent. Docket No. FIFRA-02-2008-5301

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing **Report Recommending Continuation of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process**, dated April 16, 2009, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below.

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