

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of:

GULF OIL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP,

) Docket No. CWA-02-2008-3401

Respondent.

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By Joint Motion dated March 11, 2009, the parties moved for an extension of time to file the Consent Agreement and Final Order. As cause therefor, the Motion indicates that the filing date was "incorrectly diaried."

The Motion is hereby, **GRANTED**, as set forth below:

Section 22.7(b) of the Rules of Practice (40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b)) provides that the Presiding Officer may grant an extension of time for filing any document upon timely motion of a party to the proceeding, for good cause shown, and after consideration of prejudice to other parties.

Good cause exists for the granting of the Motion in that it is in the interest of the parties and judicial economy for the parties to settle this matter on mutually agreeable terms rather than litigate the matter to conclusion. The Motion indicates that the parties have reached an agreement in principle and are in the process of drafting a Consent Agreement. In that a hearing in this case has yet to be scheduled, no prejudice will result from a brief delay. Therefore, the parties shall have until March 20, 2009 to file the fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order.

Susan L-Biro Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: March 12, 2009 Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of Gulf Oil Limited Partnership, Respondent Docket No. CWA-02-2008-3401

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Order Granting Motion For Extension Of Time, dated March 12, 2009, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below:

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