

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 PRELIMINARY
STATEMENT

Pursuant to the Presiding Officer's Prehearing Order of July 11, 2024 (the Order), Complainant, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 (EPA), and Respondent, Bluestone Coke, LLC, by and through the undersigned, jointly submit this Preliminary Statement.

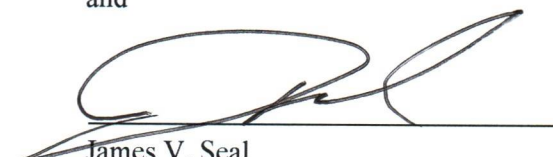
1. The parties request that the hearing be held in person.
2. The parties have conferred and have agreed to recommend Birmingham, Alabama as a reasonable and convenient location for the hearing, as it is proximate to the location where Respondent conducts business.
3. For service of orders, decisions, and other documents, Complainant requests that the following email addresses be used: Redleaf-Durbin.Joan@epa.gov; and Forrest.Kate@epa.gov.
4. For service of orders, decisions, and other documents, Respondent requests that the following email addresses be used: James.Seal@bluestone-coal.com; and Ron.Hatfield@bluestone-coal.com.

Dated: August 2, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

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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 PRELIMINARY STATEMENT** 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.

Date: August 2, 2024

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