SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of this _____ day of January, 2020 (the Effective Date), by and between Delaware City Refining Company LLC ("DCRC") and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control ("DNREC") (collectively the "Parties") to resolve certain matters associated with DCRC's operations at its petroleum refinery located in Delaware City, Delaware (the "Refinery").

WHEREAS, DCRC owns and operates the Refinery;

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2019, the Secretary of DNREC issued to DCRC Notice of Administrative Penalty Assessment and Secretary's Order No. 2019-A-0043 (the "Secretary's Order"), alleging that DCRC's operation of certain equipment at the Refinery on specified dates during 2019 did not fully comply with standards allegedly applicable to the relevant equipment pursuant to certain permit-based or regulatory standards;

WHEREAS, the Secretary's Order includes an assessment of penalties of \$90,000 and an assessment of costs of \$2,031.71;

WHEREAS, in response to and pursuant to the terms of the Secretary's Order, DCRC filed with the Environmental Appeals Board for the State of Delaware (the "EAB") an appeal of the Secretary's Order, contesting the allegations of noncompliance and the assessment of penalties and costs on various legal and factual grounds (the "EAB Appeal");

WHEREAS, in resolution of DNREC's claims regarding the incidents governed by the Secretary's Order, DCRC has agreed to pay an administrative penalty and reimbursement of DNREC's related costs;

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed that settlement of the matters addressed by this Agreement is in the best interest of the Parties, and that entry of this Agreement is the most appropriate means of resolving the matters addressed herein.

NOW THEREFORE, without any admission of fact or law, it is hereby stipulated and agreed as follows:

I. APPLICATION AND SCOPE

 The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to and be binding upon DNREC and DCRC, its and their officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY

- 2. In resolution of DNREC's claims against DCRC for alleged violations and noncompliance for the incidents governed by the Secretary's Order and DNREC's related claims for cost recovery, DCRC shall pay to DNREC an administrative penalty of Sixty-seven thousand, nine hundred, sixty-eight dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$67,968.29) (the "Administrative Penalty"), and two thousand, thirty-one dollars and seventy-one cents (\$2,031.71) for recovery of DNREC's costs related to these matters (the "Cost Recovery Payment").
- 3. Within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date of this Agreement, DCRC shall submit to DNREC payment of Seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) as the aggregate payment for the Administrative Penalty and Cost Recovery Payment, by corporate check, payable to the State

of Delaware, and mailed to the following address:

Valerie S. Edge
Deputy Attorney General
Delaware Office of the Attorney General
Environmental Unit - Third Floor
102 W. Water Street
Dover, Delaware 19904

III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 4. This Agreement shall be governed by, and interpreted under, the laws of the State of Delaware.
- 5. This Agreement is not a permit. Compliance with its terms does not guarantee compliance with any applicable federal, state, or local law or regulation. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to be a ruling on, or determination of, any issue related to any federal, state or local permit.
- 6. Other Laws. Nothing in this Agreement shall relieve DCRC of its obligation to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent, alter, or limit DNREC's ability to seek or obtain other remedies or sanctions available under federal, state, or local statutes or regulations, in response to violation by DCRC of applicable statues and regulations.

7. Third Parties.

a. This Agreement does not limit or affect the rights of DCRC or DNREC against any person or entity not party to this Agreement.

- b. This Agreement shall not be considered to create rights in, or grant any cause of action to, any third party not a party to this Agreement, nor does it limit the rights of any person or entity not party to this Agreement against DCRC, except as otherwise provided by law.
- 8. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties to this action, and their successors and assigns. The undersigned representative of each Party to this Agreement is authorized by the Party whom he or she represents to enter into the terms of this Agreement and bind that Party to them.
- 9. <u>Modification</u>. This Agreement may be modified only by the written consent of DNREC and DCRC.
- 10. This Agreement is entered into notwithstanding any other agreement between the Parties and constitutes the entire agreement and settlement between the Parties.
- 11. To the extent of any irreconcilable conflict between this Agreement and the requirements of federal and state law, the latter controls.

FOR THE DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

By:

Shawn M Garvin, Secretary

Delaware Department of Natural Resources

and Environmental Control

Date: 1/27/20

FOR DELAWARE CITY REFINING COMPANY LLC

By:

Jeffery Coleman

Refinery Manager

Delaware City Refining Company LLC

Date: 1-16-2020