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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA ALEXANDRIA DIVISION

MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS SOUTHWEST, LLC

CIV. ACT. NO. 17-505

-VS-

JUDGE DRELL

3-B TRUCKING, LLC

MAG. JUDGE PEREZ-MONTES

## ORDER

Federal courts are courts of limited jurisdiction, obligated to examine the basis for any exercise of their subject-matter jurisdiction. <u>In re FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Products Liability Litigation (Mississippi Plaintiffs)</u>, 668 F.3d 281 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2012); <u>Howery v. Allstate Ins. Co.</u>, 243 F.3d 912, 916 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2001). Federal courts are "duty-bound to examine the basis of subject-matter jurisdiction sua sponte." <u>Union Planters Bank National Association v. Salih</u>, 369 F.3d 457, 460 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2004).

Where a district court's subject-matter jurisdiction is premised upon diversity of citizenship, complete diversity is required. <u>Caterpillar, Inc. v. Lewis</u>, 519 U.S. 61 (1996). For purposes of diversity jurisdiction analysis, the citizenship of a limited liability company ("LLC") is determined according to the citizenship of all of its members. <u>Harvey v. Grey Wolf Drilling</u> Co., 542 F.3d 1077 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2008).

The complaint filed in this civil action (Doc. 1) alleges diversity of citizenship as the jurisdictional premise. The burden of proving citizenship lies with the party invoking diversity jurisdiction. Getty Oil Corp., Div. of Texaco, Inc. v. Ins. Co. of North. America, 841 F.2d 1254, 1259 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1988). In order that the court may satisfy its obligation to assure itself of a sound basis for subject matter jurisdiction in this case, it is hereby

ORDERED that MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS SOUTHWEST, LLC will file evidence into the record specifying the citizenship of both parties within TWENTY-ONE (21) **DAYS** of the issuance of this order.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Alexandria, Louisiana this 26 day of April, 2017.

DEE D. DRELL, CHIEF JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE