Sunset Commercial LLC v. Montrose Chemical Corporation of California et al

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PARSONS BEHLE & LATIMER On or about April 15, 2024, Plaintiff filed its Amended Complaint. This is the second requested extension of these deadlines overall. *See* Local Rule IA 6-1(a). The first requested escalation applied to the Amended Complaint.

The parties seek to abide by this Court's "Standing Order" filed on December 19, 2023 (Docket Entry No. 9), stating that "Judge Navarro will generally deny a stipulation or motion for a continuance or extension of time which lacks justification," and that "[s]uch requests may be granted only in extraordinary circumstances if just cause is presented." The parties to this Stipulation therefore identify the following points of justification that show just cause exists for granting the Stipulation:

- 1. Sunset filed the instant Complaint against the eight (8) Defendants captioned above on December 14, 2023, seeking judgment against all Defendants for contribution damages "for response costs in accordance with CERCLA Section[] 107(a)," (see Complaint "Prayer for Relief" ¶ 1), meaning at least a portion of the Complaint's allegations (and especially its first two Claims for Relief) necessitate proceeding against all Defendants together, rather than serially (see Compl. ¶¶ 154–78);
- 2. The parties to this Stipulation agree it would be fair, not only to themselves but to the other Defendants, to not require Montrose to file an Answer or other response sooner than other Defendants must file an Answer, since some of Plaintiff's claims are asserted against all Defendants jointly;
- 3. It is the intent of the parties to this Stipulation to use the additional time to explore the possibility of mediation; and
- 4. Discovery has not yet commenced in this case and extending the deadline for Montrose to file a responsive pleading or other response would not prejudice any other party to this case, nor would it affect any other deadlines at this early stage in the proceedings.

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3	on the 6th day of May, 2024, I filed a true	and correct copy of the foregoing document,
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