## Exhibit 7



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stations.<sup>55</sup> It is this existence of laws and regulations, and the enforcement thereof, that increases compliance with warnings that are disseminated about the safe handling of gasoline.

## **Summary and Conclusions**

In summary, I offer the following opinions with a reasonable degree of scientific certainty:

The safety messages contained in warnings and other information about gasoline releases provided by defendants available to their customers are reasonable, adequate and sufficient to communicate the proper precautions for storing and handling gasoline, whether it contains MTBE or not.

The inclusion of additional or alternative information, such as that proposed by plaintiff, would not change the safety practices among service station operators.

The inclusion of additional warnings would dilute the message of a simple warning not to permit spills or leaks of gasoline, reducing its effectiveness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Deposition of Gary Beacom, 08/10/2011, pp. 22, 24, 72; Deposition of Garabed Bedirian, 04/04/2011, pp. 41-42; Deposition of David Benjamin, 08/09/2011, p. 33; Deposition of David D'Alessandro, 04/01/2011, pp. 66-67; Deposition of Jatinder Paul Dhillon, 08/11/2011, pp. 26-27, 59, 62-64; Deposition of Babak Lakestani, 08/09/2011, p. 36; Deposition of Bryan Leonard Moe, 08/17/2011, p. 43; Deposition of Joe Rebella, 03/15/2011, p. 40 (fire department); Deposition of Judy Rogers, 03/08/2011, pp. 35-37; Deposition of Jeetander Sethi, 07/13/2011, pp. 26, 47-48, 90-91

