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PRODUCTS, LLC D/B/A POET ETHANOL)
PRODUCTS; POET NUTRITION, INC.; and)
CARGILL INCORPORATED)
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vs.)
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UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD)
COMPANY)

NOR 42144, 42150, 42152, 42153

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Complainants Valero Marketing and Supply Company and Valero Rail Partners, LLC, Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC, Tesoro Great Plains Gathering & Marketing LLC, and Dakota Prairie Refining, LLC (collectively, “Complainants”), and Defendant Union Pacific Railroad Company (“Union Pacific”) submit this status report on discovery progress as requested by Administrative Law Judge Dring at a status conference on April 19, 2017.

1. Valero Marketing and Supply Company and Valero Rail Partners, LLC proposed to Union Pacific a compromise position on pending discovery issues. The parties conferred on this proposal via telephone on Monday, July 10, 2017. The Valero entities have reviewed revised stipulations from Union Pacific and, on September 5, 2017, the Valero entities relayed proposed edits to those stipulations. The Valero entities sent their further revisions to these stipulations on October 18, 2017.

2. Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC, Tesoro Great Plains Gathering & Marketing LLC, and Dakota Prairie Refining, LLC proposed to Union Pacific a compromise position on pending discovery issues. Union Pacific provided proposed stipulations in response to these proposals on August 22, 2017. The Tesoro entities sent their proposed revisions to these stipulations on October 18, 2017.

3. On October 31, 2017, Union Pacific served its second set of discovery requests on the Valero and Tesoro entities. The Tesoro entities served their responses and objections to these requests on November 15, 2017. The Valero entities served their responses and objections to these requests on November 20, 2017.

4. On August 16, 2017, the Tesoro entities served their second set of discovery requests to Union Pacific. Union Pacific served its responses to these discovery requests on August 31, 2017. The parties met and conferred on these responses on September 12, 2017. In that conference, the Tesoro entities provided proposals and information intended to refine the scope of the requests and assist with Union Pacific's searches for responsive documents. On October 4, 2017, Union Pacific relayed its own proposal on these discovery requests. The Tesoro entities responded to this proposal on October 20, 2017. The parties have now reached agreement on the scope of information to be collected in response to these requests.

5. The Valero entities have completed their primary document production and are working on their privilege log. On October 24, 2017, Union Pacific relayed several questions about the Valero entities' production. The Valero entities have now responded to these questions and made supplemental productions of approximately 137 files related to those responses on November 7 and 9, 2017. On November 8 and 15, 2107, Union Pacific relayed additional questions about the Valero entities' past productions, and the Valero entities responded to some

of these questions on December 12, 2017. On December 8 and 20, 2017, Union Pacific provided further questions on the past productions. The Valero entities are reviewing these questions.

6. On Tuesday, December 19, 2017, the Tesoro entities produced approximately 28 files to Union Pacific. The Tesoro entities anticipate making one to two further productions this week or next to complete their document production.

7. Union Pacific and the Valero entities have agreed to the deposition of a Valero corporate representative on January 17th in San Antonio, Texas and are working to determine a mutually agreeable venue for the deposition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 21, 2017, I have caused a copy of the foregoing to be served by hand, email, or first-class mail on counsel for the parties of record for NOR 42144, NOR 42150, NOR 42152, and NOR 42153. I further certify that I have caused a copy of the foregoing to be served by email on the Honorable John P. Dring of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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