

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAKE CHARLES DIVISION**

HENNING MANAGEMENT, LLC

VERSUS

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. et al.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:20-CV-00004

JUDGE JAMES D. CAIN, JR.

MAG. JUDGE KATHLEEN KAY

ORDER

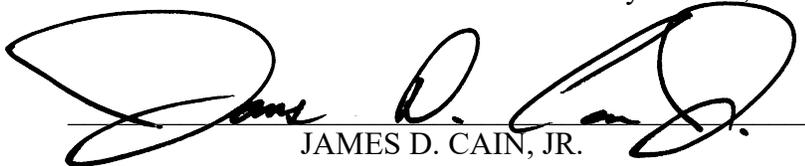
Considering Chevron U.S.A. Inc.'s ("Chevron") Limited Admission Pursuant to La. R.S. 30:29 and Chevron's Motion for Referral to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources for the Development of the Most Feasible Plant Pursuant to La. R.S. 30:29,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

- (1) Pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 30:29 ("Act 312"), Chevron enters a limited admission of responsibility for the environmental damage, as defined in La. R.S. 30:29(I)(1), which exists on property identified on "Exhibit A" attached hereto in Calcasieu and Jefferson Davis Parishes, Louisiana.
- (2) Chevron's limited admission is limited to the "responsibility for implementing the most feasible plan to evaluate, and if necessary, remediate all or a portion of the contamination that is subject to the litigation to applicable regulatory standards" on the portions of the property identified on Exhibit A.
- (3) Chevron's limited admission is not an admission of private liability for any of Plaintiff's private claims and is not to be construed as a waiver of any affirmative defenses.

- (4) Chevron shall develop a plan for the evaluation or remediation of “environmental damage” as provided in La. R.S. 30:29(C) to applicable standards of the contamination that resulted in environmental damage to the portions of the property described on Exhibit A;
- (5) Chevron’s plan, as described above, shall be developed and submitted to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources by certified mail with return receipt requested and Chevron shall file such plan with the Court on August 5, 2022;
- (6) Plaintiff or any other party shall have thirty (30) days from the date Chevron’s plan is filed with the Court to review the plan and submit or provide to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources and the Court comments, input, and/or its own plan in response to Chevron’s plan. No plan may be submitted to the Court under La. R.S. 30:29(C)(3)(b)(5) unless that plan was timely provided to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources;
- (7) The Louisiana Department of Natural Resources shall submit to the Court a schedule of estimated costs for review of the plans or submittals of the parties; and
- (8) Any further proceedings with respect to the plan submitted by Chevron, the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Plaintiff, or any other party, shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures set forth in La. R.S. 30:29.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers this 21st day of June, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James D. Cain, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

JAMES D. CAIN, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE