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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN

THE BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND

CHEVRON PRODUCTS COMPANY

(Notices of Violation 52410-52415 and 56290-56294)

I. **Background: Parties and Allegations**

- 1. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District ("Air District") is the regional governmental agency charged with the primary responsibility for maintaining healthy air quality in the San Francisco Bay Area.
- 2. Chevron Products Company, a division of Chevron U.S.A. Inc., ("Chevron") owns and operates a petroleum refinery located at 841 Chevron Way, Richmond, California, 94801 ("Facility").
- 3. The Air District alleges that, at all relevant times, Chevron was subject to and violated Air District regulations as described in Notices of Violation (NOVs) 52410–52415 and 56290–56294, which are, by this reference, incorporated into this Settlement Agreement.
- 4. Under Attachment B to the Settlement Agreement between Chevron and the Air District, entered into as of February 12, 2024, Chevron and the Air District (collectively, the "Parties," and individually, "Party") agreed to engage in good-faith settlement discussions regarding the Air District's allegations in NOVs 52410-52415 and 56290-56294, and the District agreed to take no further enforcement action regarding these allegations while the Parties engaged in such discussions.
- 5. The Parties engaged in said good-faith discussions, which resulted in the resolution of NOVs 52410-52415 and 56290-56294 as set forth in this Settlement Agreement.

II. **Terms and Conditions**

6. In consideration of the foregoing, and of the promises set forth herein, the Parties desire to settle and resolve all claims, disputes, and violations arising from the facts and circumstances alleged in NOVs 52410-52415 and 56290-56294, and voluntarily agree to resolve this matter by means of this Settlement Agreement. Therefore, in order to resolve NOVs 52410–52415 and 56290–56294, Chevron has taken, or agrees to take, the actions enumerated in this Settlement Agreement, the Air District agrees to accept this Settlement Agreement in termination and full settlement of this matter, and not to file a legal action against Chevron and its beneficiaries, predecessors, successors, assigns, partners,

partnerships, parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates and related entities, officers, directors, principals, agents, servants, employees, and representatives, and the Parties agree to the terms in this Settlement Agreement. Chevron's entry into this Agreement is not and shall not be construed as an admission of any liability, wrongdoing or responsibility, with respect to violation of any rule, law, statute, policy or regulation.

- 7. <u>Civil Penalty.</u> Chevron shall pay the Air District a civil penalty of \$900,000 civil penalty within thirty (30) calendar days after the Effective Date of this Settlement Agreement in accordance with the payment provisions set forth in Paragraph 8 below.
- 8. Chevron shall pay the \$900,000 civil penalty specified in Paragraph 7, and any stipulated penalties owed under this Settlement Agreement, by wire transfer, according to wire transfer instructions provided by the Air District, with "NOV Nos. 52410–52415 and 56290–56294" written in the memo area. Upon initiating the wire transfer, Chevron shall notify the Air District via email at akamel@baaqmd.gov, and shall attach with the email a completed Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 for Chevron. Chevron shall be responsible for all payment processing, check cancellation, and other fees and costs associated with making payments under this Paragraph 8.
 - 9. <u>Monitoring and Reporting Measures.</u> Chevron shall also do the following:
 - a. Install and operate a continuous emissions monitoring system ("CEMS") at each of the following sources at its Richmond Refinery by the deadlines laid out in the Table attached hereto as Attachment A: SRU-1, SRU-2, SRU-3; Fuel Gas Drums V-475, V-701, and V-870; Cogen 1000; Cogen 2000; and FCC. Chevron shall also submit its plans and an intent to purchase each required CEMS, and complete testing of each CEMS, by the deadlines laid out in the Table in Attachment A. Chevron shall install and operate these CEMS in accordance with this Settlement Agreement and the Air District's Manual of Procedures and relevant Federal laws, where applicable.

¹ The Parties note that the installation and testing deadlines in Attachment A occurred prior to the Effective Date of this Settlement Agreement. Unless the Air District communicates to Chevron its finding that an installation or test for one of these CEMS was unsatisfactory, the first two sentences of Paragraph 9.a require no further action from Chevron.

- b. In addition to all other applicable requirements, submit the following reports, in writing, if not already submitted or completed, as appropriate, as set forth in the table in Attachment B:
 - i. A short email upon completion of each task still to be completed as of the full execution of this settlement,
 - ii. Results of the initial 7-day drift test for each CEMS within 28 days of that initial CGA/RATA test being certified as complete,
 - iii. Notification of the date and time of the initial CGA/RATA test for each CEMS at least seven days prior to performing the test, so that the Air District may observe the test,
 - iv. Results of the CGA/RATA test for the initial certification of each CEMS, within28 days of that initial CGA/RATA test being certified as complete, and
 - v. CEMS data for each CEMS from the date of installation to 24 hours after completion of initial CEMS certification, within 28 days of the Effective Date of this Agreement. If any CEMS's CGA/RATA test fails, Chevron shall re-do the CGA/RATA test once on that CEMS within 45 days of notification by the Air District of the certification of the testing failure. If Chevron fails the re-test, it shall be subject to enforcement action and penalties outside of this Settlement Agreement.²
 - c. Notify the Air District in writing if any CEMS at the Richmond Refinery pegs within 7 calendar days after submission of the monthly report of the occurrence of any such pegging during the relevant calendar month. For the purposes of this provision, pegging shall be defined as a measurement at or above the highest value capable of being measured by the CEMS as it is set at the time of the measurement. If Chevron

² The Parties note that Paragraph 9.b.ii-iv does not require any further notification or submission indicated on Attachment B as it has been already completed or submitted. For all initial CGA/RATAs shared within 28 days of the Effective Date of this Agreement, Paragraph 9.b.ii-iv will apply to one of these CEMS only if the Air District communicates that a prior CGA/RATA test was unsatisfactory and must be repeated.

believes that the pegging event does not reflect excess emissions, it may include an explanation and supporting documentation.

- 10. Chevron shall pay the Air District stipulated penalties, as applicable, as laid out in this Paragraph 10. Stipulated penalties shall be paid in accordance with the instructions in Paragraph 8, within 10 days of committing the violation giving rise to the stipulated penalty. If the Air District does not receive the payment, the Air District shall notify Chevron via email, and Chevron shall, within 3 business days of the date such notice is sent, re-send the payment according to this Paragraph 10, and this process shall be repeated as needed until the Air District receives the payment. Chevron shall be responsible for all payment processing, check cancellation, and other fees or costs associated with carrying out this Paragraph 10. Each stipulated penalty is cumulative and in addition to any other applicable stipulated penalty and any other payment required by this Settlement Agreement.
 - a. If Chevron fails to pay the full civil penalty by the due date and in accordance with Paragraph 8 of this Settlement Agreement, Chevron shall pay the Air District a stipulated penalty of \$10,000 for each day after the due date on which the Air District has not received full payment in accordance with Paragraph 8 of this Settlement Agreement.
 - b. If Chevron fails to install and begin operating any CEMS by the date in Paragraph 9.a., Chevron shall pay the Air District escalating penalties as follows for each day and each CEMS on which Chevron fails to install and begin operating any CEMS by the date in Paragraph 9.a.:
 - i. \$5,000 per day for the first 30 days,
 - ii. \$10,000 per day for the second 30 days, and
 - iii. \$25,000 per day for every day thereafter.
 - c. If Chevron fails to comply with any requirement in Paragraph 9, other than the date to install and begin operating a CEMS, as set forth in Paragraph 9 and any applicable Attachment, and other than the failure to comply with Paragraph 9.c., Chevron shall pay the Air District a stipulated penalty of \$10,000 for each day on which it fails to comply with any requirement in Paragraph 9 as set forth in Paragraph 9 and any

- applicable Attachment, provided, however, that no stipulated penalty shall be due for a failure to comply with any requirement in Paragraph 9.b. in the event that the failure to comply with any requirement in Paragraph 9.b is due to an act of God or other unforeseeable event outside of Chevron's control.
- d. If Chevron fails to comply with Paragraph 9.c Chevron shall pay the Air District a stipulated penalty of \$2,000 for each day on which Chevron fails to comply with Paragraph 9.c, but the Air District may waive the stipulated penalty if Chevron can prove it did not knowingly fail to comply with Paragraph 9.c.
- 11. Chevron's full payment of the \$900,000 civil penalty specified in Paragraph 7 above and complete satisfaction of all of its other obligations under this Settlement Agreement will fully and finally settle, conclude and resolve all claims that have been or could have been asserted between the Air District and Chevron arising out of or related to the allegations and conduct in NOVs 52410–52415 and 56290–56294.
- 12. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be construed as limiting the ability of the Air District to take future enforcement action arising out of violations or alleged violations not covered by this Settlement Agreement. Furthermore, nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be construed as limiting the rights of the Air District to rely on the violations alleged in NOVs 52410–52415 and 56290–56294, and to offer proof thereof, in any such future enforcement action for purposes of demonstrating Chevron's frequency of past violations pursuant to Health & Safety Code section 42403(b)(4) or other applicable provision of law. Further, the Air District reserves the right to enforce this Settlement Agreement, and to demand higher penalties for future noncompliances.
- 13. Chevron reserves the rights to challenge an increase in penalties in connection with any future alleged violations and to contest any offers of proof and present any evidence disputing the events or allegations described in Paragraph 3 above.
- 14. Chevron's failure to perform any of the terms or conditions of this Settlement Agreement will render Chevron in violation of the Settlement Agreement, and the Air District may, at its sole discretion, void this Settlement Agreement, upon written notice to Chevron, or take any other action to enforce the Settlement Agreement. The failure by a Party to enforce any provision of this Settlement

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of the State of California, without regard to California's choice-of-law rules.

Both Parties have jointly participated in the drafting and reviewing of this Settlement

Agreement. Accordingly, the Parties agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities

are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be applied in interpreting this Settlement

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Agreement.

- 20. This Settlement Agreement is not a permit, or a modification of any permit, under any federal, State, or local laws or regulations. Chevron is responsible for achieving and maintaining compliance with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and permits; and Chevron's compliance with this Settlement Agreement shall not be a defense to any action commenced pursuant to any such laws, regulations, or permits. The Air District does not, by its execution of this Settlement Agreement, warrant or aver in any manner that Chevron's compliance with any aspect of this Settlement Agreement will result in compliance with any provisions of federal, State, or local laws, regulations, or permits.
- 21. The Parties understand and agree that the penalties provided for and payable under this Settlement Agreement are non-dischargeable under United States Code, title 11, section 523(a)(7), which provides that a debt may not be discharged in bankruptcy to the extent such debt is for a fine, penalty, or forfeiture payable to and for the benefit of a governmental unit.
- 22. The settlement of the matters covered by this Settlement Agreement without further litigation is fair, reasonable, and in the interests of the Air District, Chevron, and the public. The Parties, and each of them, (i) have participated fully in the review and drafting of this Settlement Agreement; (ii) understand and accept all of the terms of this Settlement Agreement; (iii) enter into this Settlement Agreement freely and voluntarily; (iv) have had an opportunity to consult with legal counsel regarding this Settlement Agreement; (v) are fully informed of the terms and effect of this Settlement Agreement; (vi) have agreed to this Settlement Agreement after independent investigation and agree that it was not arrived at through fraud, duress, or undue influence; and (vii) knowingly and voluntarily intend to be legally bound by this Settlement Agreement.
- 23. Each provision of this Settlement Agreement is severable, and in the event that any provision, or part thereof, of this Settlement Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, the remainder of this Settlement Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 24. This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties, and it fully supersedes and replaces any and all prior negotiations and agreements of any kind or nature, whether written or oral, between the Parties, concerning the matters covered herein.

- 25. No agreement to modify, amend, extend, supersede, terminate, or discharge this Settlement Agreement, or any portion thereof, shall be valid or enforceable unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties.
- 26. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall have the same force and effect as an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Electronic, facsimile, and photocopied signatures shall be valid signatures.
- 27. The Effective Date of this Settlement Agreement shall be the date upon which it is fully executed.
- 28. Each of the undersigned expressly represents that they are authorized to execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of, and to bind, the Party for whom they sign below.
- 29. This Settlement Agreement shall terminate upon the earlier of the date when the Air District determines that Chevron has completed its obligations under Paragraphs 9, 10, and 11 or one year from the Effective Date of this Settlement Agreement, except that, after termination, Chevron shall comply with its permit, Air District Regulations, the Air District's Manual of Procedures, and any other laws and requirements applicable to the CEMS, and shall continue to operate the CEMS in compliance with Air District requirements.

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1 SO AGREED, STIPULATED AND EXECUTED: 2 Chevron Products Company, a division of Bay Area Air Quality Management District 375 Beale Street, Suite 600 Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 3 San Francisco, California 94105 841 Chevron Way Richmond, CA 94801 4 DocuSigned by: DocuSigned by: Hyacinth Hinoposa Harpreet K. Tiwana Harpreet K. Tiwana 5 By: By: Title: ^---Philip M. Fine Assistant Secretary 6 Executive Officer/APCO 2025-Nov-18 | 10:21 AM PST 12/1/2025 7 Date: Date: 8 APPROVED AS TO FORM BY: 9 Bay Area Air Quality Management Office of the General Counsel 10 Alexander G. Crockett 11 General Counsel Alexandra Kamel 12 Senior Assistant Counsel 13 DocuSigned by: Alexander G. (rockett 14 12/1/2025 By: Alexander G. Crockett Date 15 General Counsel 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

ATTACHMENT A

			Deadlines			
				Submittal of Intent to		
Description	Source ID	Pollutant	Submittal of Plans	Purchase	Complete Installation	Complete Testing
		СО	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	4/30/2025	6/30/2025
		NOx	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	4/30/2025	6/30/2025
SRU-1	S-4227	SO2	10/13/2023	10/13/2023	12/30/2024	2/13/2025
		СО	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	4/30/2025	6/30/2025
		NOx	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	4/30/2025	6/30/2025
SRU-2	S-4228	SO2	10/13/2023	10/13/2023	12/30/2024	2/13/2025
SRU-3	S-4229	SO2	10/13/2023	10/13/2023	12/30/2024	2/13/2025
Fuel Gas Drums V-475, V-701, and		H2S	6/23/2023	9/5/2023	9/8/2024	10/23/2024
V-870	Various	TRS	11/29/2023	12/5/2023	2/12/2025	3/29/2025
	S-4350	СО	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	3/31/2025	4/30/2025
Cogen 1000	S-4351	NOx	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	3/31/2025	4/30/2025
	S-4352	СО	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	3/31/2025	4/30/2025
Cogen 2000	S-4353	NOx	5/24/2024	7/1/2024	3/31/2025	4/30/2025
		СО	10/22/2024	11/8/2024	6/13/2025	7/28/2025
		NOx	10/22/2024	N/A	6/13/2025	7/28/2025
FCC	S-4285	SO2	11/12/2024	11/22/2024	6/13/2025	7/28/2025

ATTACHMENT B

Description	Source ID	Analyzer	Notification of completion of installation	Notification of 7- Day and CGA/RATA Test (if necessary)	Submittal (no later than 28 days after certification of test completion) of certification documents (7-day drift, CGA/RATA report) for initial certification of each CEMS	Submittal (no later than 28 days after settlement effective date) of CEMS Data from date of installation to 24 hours after completing initial CEMS certification	Notification of "pegging" within 7 days of submission of the monthly report for month during which pegging occurred
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
		СО	provided		District Review		
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
		NOx	provided		District Review		
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
SRU-1	S-4227	SO2	provided		District Review		
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
		СО	provided		District Review		
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
		NOx	provided		District Review		
			Previously		Complete, Pending		
SRU-2	S-4228	SO2	provided		District Review		

			Previously	Complete, Pending
SRU-3	S-4229	SO2	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
Fuel Gas		H2S	provided	District Review
Drums V-				
475, V-701,			Previously	Complete, Pending
and V-870	Various	TRS	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
		СО	provided	District Review
	S-4350		Previously	Complete, Pending
Cogen 1000	S-4351	NOx	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
		СО	provided	District Review
	S-4352		Previously	Complete, Pending
Cogen 2000	S-4353	NOx	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
		СО	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
		NOx	provided	District Review
			Previously	Complete, Pending
FCC	S-4285	SO2	provided	District Review