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<u>Via facsimile transmission 783-0566 and US mail</u> Honorable John D. Trahan 15th Judicial District Judge P. O. Box 1366 Crowley, LA 70527-1366

Re:

Theodore S. Carmichael, et ux v. Bass Enterprises Production Company, et al

15th JDC, Acadia Parish, Docket No. 84484

Dear Judge Trahan:

Please be advised that Judge Johnson has ruled on the constitutionality of Act 312 in the remediation case in Catahoula Parish entitled *MJ Farms v. Exxon Mobil Corporation, et al,* Docket No. 24055 "A." Judge Johnson has ruled that Act 312 is unconstitutional and unenforceable. Enclosed is a copy of Judge Johnson's ruling for your review.

Please advise what actions you wish us to take regarding the above captioned matter.

With kindest regards, we remain

Very truly yours,

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VS. NO. 24,055

EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION, ET AL

JUDGMENT

This matter came for hearing on August 28, 2006.

After reviewing the pleadings and hearing argument of counsel for plaintiff and considering the post hearing memorandums submitted by the Plaintiff and the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana regarding the constitutionality of Act 312 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the Court determined said Act to be unconstitutional;

The Court specifically found Act 312 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature violates Article V, Section 16 of the Louisiana Constitution, the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution, and Article I, Section 4 of the Louisiana Constitution; therefore

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Act 312 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature is unconstitutional and unenforceable.

JUDGMENT RENDERED AND SIGNED this 8th day of January, 2006 in Harrisonburg, Louisiana.

KATHY JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE