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**To:** Ex. 6  
**Subject:** RE: Philadelphia Energy Solutions

Jon—

On background:

On March 12, 2018, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) filed a Consent Decree and Environmental Settlement Agreement (Settlement) with PES Holdings, LLC and its Debtor Affiliates (collectively the Debtors) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.<sup>[1]</sup> The Debtors filed for bankruptcy on January 21, 2018. One of the Debtors is Philadelphia Energy Solutions Marketing and Refining LLC (PESRM), which owns and operates Girard Point and Point Breeze refineries in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is subject to requirements under EPA's Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) regulations. Under the RFS regulations, refiners who produce gasoline or diesel fuel are required to either blend renewable fuels into gasoline or diesel fuel, or obtain Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs), which function as credits, to meet an annual Renewable Volume Obligation (RVO). DOJ and EPA filed this Consent Decree and Settlement because the Debtors' bankruptcy plan did not require PESRM to retire any RINs to meet its 2017 RVOs and its 2018 RVOs incurred during the bankruptcy proceeding.

Best,

Tricia

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**Subject:** Philadelphia Energy Solutions

Can you confirm that EPA reached agreement with Philadelphia Energy Solutions to reduce its obligations to pay biofuel credits (RINs), as reported by Reuters yesterday? If this report is accurate, please send me the details of the agreement.

If the agreement with PES is now effective, is EPA negotiating similar agreements with other merchant refiners such as PBF Energy's Delaware City Refinery, which also claims a heavy burden from RINs?

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<sup>[1]</sup> The Debtors are PES Holdings, LLC, North Yard Financing, LLC, North Yard GP, LLC, North Yard Logistics, L.P., PES Administrative Services, LLC, PES Logistics GP, LLC, PES Logistics Partners, L.P., PESRM Holdings, LLC, and Philadelphia Energy Solutions Refining and Marketing LLC.

thank you

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