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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

DEPARTMENT 606

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA,

Plaintiff,

v.

VITOL INC.; SK ENERGY AMERICAS,
INC.; SK TRADING INTERNATIONAL
CO. LTD.; AND DOES 1-30, INCLUSIVE,

Defendants.

Case No. CGC-20-584456

JUDGMENT

On February 28, 2025, this court granted final approval to the *parens patriae* settlement and entered its order granting the Attorney General's motion for final approval of *parens patriae* settlement.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

1. This court has jurisdiction over the allegations and subject matter of the complaint filed in this action, and the parties to this action; and this court has jurisdiction to enter this judgment.

2. The court shall retain jurisdiction over the implementation, enforcement, and performance of this settlement agreement, and shall have jurisdiction over any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this settlement agreement or the applicability of this settlement agreement that

1 cannot be resolved by negotiation by the parties.

2 3. The court approves the settlement agreement between the parties and finds that the
3 settlement agreement is a fair, adequate, and reasonable settlement of the action. The court approves the
4 plan of allocation and distribution proposal submitted by the Attorney General. The parties are to proceed
5 as outlined in the settlement agreement, notice program, plan of allocation, and distribution proposal.

6 4. Of the aggregate settlement funds, comprised of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000), that
7 defendants have paid in settlement of this action, twelve million, five hundred thousand dollars
8 (\$12,500,000) is allocated and will be distributed pursuant to Business & Professions Code, section
9 17206. The remaining thirty-seven million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$37,500,000) is allocated and
10 will be distributed pursuant to Business & Professions Code, section 16760 and the court's order
11 regarding attorneys' fees and costs.

12 5. The portion of the amount allocated to section 17206 and due to the Attorney General shall
13 be administered by the California Department of Justice and shall be used by the Antitrust Section of the
14 Public Rights Division of the Attorney General's Office, until all funds are exhausted, for antitrust or
15 consumer protection law enforcement.

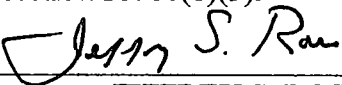
16 6. The notice ordered by the court and carried out by the Attorney General or its designee
17 satisfies the requirements of due process and California Business & Professions Code, section 16760(c).

18 7. Those individuals identified in exhibit A to the final approval order who have timely and
19 validly requested exclusion from the settlement and are so excluded for all purposes, are not bound by the
20 settlement agreement or this final judgment, and may not make any claim for a distribution from the
21 Cartwright Act Settlement Fund, or receive any benefit from the settlement agreement.

22 8. The parties have negotiated and executed a full release of their respective claims, to the
23 fullest extent permitted by law.

24 9. The Attorney General's claim under the Cartwright Act was brought pursuant to California
25 Business & Professions Code, section 16760(a)(1). The res judicata effect of this final judgment shall be
26 in accordance with California Business & Professions Code, section 16760(b)(3).

27 Dated: February 28, 2025

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JEFFREY S. ROSS
Judge of the Superior Court

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE
(CCP 1010.6(6) & CRC 2.251)

I, Sean Kane, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of San Francisco, certify that I am not a party to the within action.

On February 28, 2025, I electronically served the attached document via File & ServeXpress on the recipients designated on the Transaction Receipt located on the File & ServeXpress website.

Dated: February 28, 2025

Brandon E. Riley, Court Executive Officer

By: 
Sean Kane, Deputy Clerk