


Confirmation of Agreement of the Disputing Parties Regarding Consolidation

This Confirmation of Agreement is made as of February 11, 2005 among the United Mexican States (hereinafter referred to as Mexico), Corn Products International, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "CPI"), and Archer Daniels Midland Company and Tate & Lyle Ingredients Americas, Inc. (hereinafter referred to respectively as "ADM" and "Tate & Lyle" or the "Almex Shareholders"). Mexico, CPI, ADM, and Tate & Lyle are referred to collectively herein as the "disputing parties" or "parties".

On September 8, 2004, Mexico submitted to ICSID, pursuant to Article 1126 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), a request (the "Request") for the consolidation of the claims submitted to arbitration against Mexico by CPI on October 21, 2003 and subsequently registered by ICSID as Case No. ARB(AF) 04/1, and those submitted jointly by ADM and Tate & Lyle on August 4, 2004 and subsequently registered by ICSID as Case No. ARB(AF) 04/5.

Since the making of Mexico's consolidation request, the disputing parties have agreed among themselves as to the standards and procedures that shall govern the resolution of Mexico's consolidation request. This document is intended to confirm that agreement.



1. The disputing parties have named the members of the consolidation tribunal by agreement, in lieu of the procedure established in Article 1126. Their agreement as to the tribunal's membership was notified to ICSID by Mexico on January 7, 2005 and subsequently confirmed by letters from CPI and the Almex Shareholders. Any vacancies that may arise in the agreed tribunal (hereinafter referred to as the "Consolidation Tribunal") subsequent to the date hereof shall likewise be filled by agreement of the parties, and failing their agreement within 30 days after receiving notification of a vacancy, by the ICSID Secretary-General. Without derogating from the nationality requirements for arbitrators provided for in Article 1126(4), neither the parties nor the ICSID shall be limited to persons designated to the ICSID roster in filling any vacancy on the Consolidation Tribunal.

2. The disputing parties have also agreed that the sole and exclusive mandate of the Consolidation Tribunal shall be to determine, after hearing from the parties, whether the

cases referred to above shall be consolidated, and to issue an order consistent with that determination.

3. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties acknowledge that the standard of decision of the Consolidation Tribunal with respect to the issues within its mandate as set forth in paragraph 2, as well as its powers with respect to the issuance of a consolidation order and the scope of that order, shall be as set forth in paragraph 2 of Article 1126 of the NAFTA.

4. Should the Consolidation Tribunal determine that the claims of CPI and the Almex Shareholders should be consolidated in whole or in part, and so order, the disputing parties will by agreement among themselves determine the composition of the panel (hereinafter the "Consolidated Claims Tribunal") to hear the claims that have been consolidated. Nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the parties from agreeing to the appointment of some or all of the Members of the Consolidation Tribunal to the Consolidated Claims Tribunal, but there shall be no presumption of their appointment. Failing agreement of the parties on the appointment of all or some of the members of the Consolidated Claims Tribunal within 30 days of the issuance of a final order of consolidation, the ICSID Secretary General shall make the necessary appointments. Without derogating from the nationality requirements for arbitrators provided for in Article 1126(4), neither the parties nor the ICSID shall be limited to persons designated to the ICSID roster in making appointments to the Consolidated Claims Tribunal.

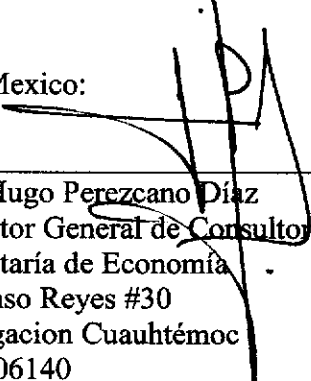
5. The parties have agreed that all proceedings of the Consolidation Tribunal and the Consolidated Claims Tribunal shall be governed by the ICSID Additional Facility Arbitration Rules, as modified by the procedural requirements of NAFTA Chapter Eleven.

6. Mexico's Request shall be deemed by the disputing parties to have been amended in accordance with this confirmation of agreement as of the date of its original submission, and no resubmission of the request shall be required.

7. The parties agree that the provisions of NAFTA Article 1126 will apply to the proceedings of the Consolidation Tribunal, except to the extent that the disputing parties have agreed to derogate from Article 1126 as reflected in this Agreement or in any other agreement that they may reach in the future.

By the signature of their respective counsels below, each of the disputing parties hereby confirms its agreement to the provisions set forth herein and the authority of its counsel to sign on its behalf.


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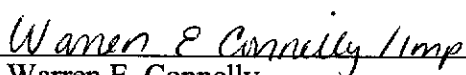
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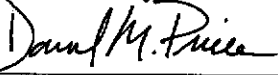
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