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KOCH RESPONDS TO GOVERNMENT'S SECOND VERSION OF CHARGES

Corpus Christi, Texas – A week after dropping 86 of the 97 charges it brought against Koch Petroleum Group L.P. in September, the federal government today issued a "superseding indictment" that includes nine counts regarding nearly five-year-old environmental compliance and reporting issues at Koch's Corpus Christi refinery. The following is Koch's response to the government's action:

"After more than four and a half years of investigating and now a second version of their allegations, the government's case is still as confusing as the complex federal regulations on which it is based," said Jay Rosser, a Koch spokesman. "The government got it wrong before and they're wrong again.

"Last week the government dropped nearly 90 percent – all but 11 – of their original charges against our company and these employees. And now this superseding indictment has nine counts. This case is still months away from trial, and already the vast majority of the original charges have been dropped.

"We intend to continue to vigorously defend our company and our employees against these allegations. We will respect the legal process and the court's considerations as this complex case moves forward, and we remain extremely confident that ultimately it will be shown that Koch and these individuals acted responsibly in this matter," said Rosser.

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